

Cloudy, probably with rain tonight; Saturday partly cloudy and colder.

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SAYS TWO NEW WARDS NEEDED TO EVENLY DISTRIBUTE VOTES

J. Omer Allard of Board of Election Commissioners Points Out Unequal Registration Figures Now Existing as Redistricting of City is Under Discussion

Two more wards would be necessary in the city to evenly distribute the voting strength, Clerk J. Omer Allard of the election commission said this morning when questioned concerning redistricting of the board would make no statement concerning the redistricting of the city.

OIL CONSERVATION BOARD IS CREATED BY PRES. COOLIDGE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—An oil conservation board, consisting of secretaries of war, navy, interior and commerce, was created today by President Coolidge. The new board will study the government's responsibility in oil conservation, and will seek the full co-operation of the oil industry to that end.

WRECK BANKS, CARRY OFF TWO SAFES AND SET FIRE TO TOWN

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 19.—Bank robbers set fire to the town of Valley View early today, after wrecking a state and national bank and carrying away two safes. The banks were the First National and the Guaranty, and the business section was wiped out by the fire. No accurate estimate of their loss could be obtained at first, but the fire damage was estimated at \$100,000. The safes weighed 4000 pounds each.

DEPARTMENT MOTORIZED TREACHEROUS TRAVELING IN EARLY MORNING

Arrival of Big Fire Engine Marks Beginning of Last Chapter

Motorization of Fire Department to Be Completed Early in 1925.

With the delivery in the city yesterday of an Alford-Paxton pump engine of 1000-gallon-per minute capacity, the final chapter in the story of the motorization of the Lowell fire department was begun. This engine, the most powerful ever bought by the department, will be put into commission within a few days, designated as Engine No. 1.

TO UNITE PROHIBITION WORK IN ONE BUREAU

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The Cranston bill proposing to unite all prohibition work in one bureau under the treasury department was the subject of further hearings today.

Senator C. Henry of Chicago, secretary of the National Association of Retail Druggists, declared the success of the bill would mean the end of the prohibition work in the treasury department.

Former warden indicted. ATLANTA, Dec. 19.—The federal grand jury this afternoon returned an indictment against A. E. Sartain, former warden of the federal penitentiary here, charging acceptance of bribes. He made bond in the sum of \$5000 for his appearance at the first Monday in January.

American orchards have suffered losses of more than \$200,000,000 from the ravages of the San Jose scale, an insect that came from China.

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Postpone Action on Resolution Calling for Inquiry Into Status of U. S. Navy

GREEN HEAD OF A. F. OF L.

Elected President to Succeed the Late Samuel Gompers at New York Meeting

Election Unanimous—Will Carry Out Policies Which Gompers Followed

NEW YORK, Dec. 19. (By the Associated Press)—William Green today was elected president of the American Federation of Labor to succeed the late Samuel Gompers.

Green was chosen by the federation's executive council to succeed Mr. Gompers, who died last Saturday after having served 43 years as president of the federation. Green's term of office will expire next October, when the convention meets in annual convention at Atlantic City.

The new president of the federation had been a vice president of the organization since 1913. He has been secretary-treasurer of the United Mine Workers of America since 1912.

James P. Noonan, president of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, was elected eighth vice president to fill the vacancy on the executive council caused by Green's promotion.

The election of Mr. Green was unanimous. The keynote of his administration, he said, would be "constructive progressivism."

"I believe in always driving ahead but in building permanently as we go," he said, amid the popping of flashlights.

In a formal statement issued soon after his election, Mr. Green said that he would carry out the policies which Mr. Gompers followed as leader of organized labor in America.

URGES CHANGES TO HELP FRESHMEN

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 19.—A study of the class of 1925 in its freshman year at Harvard reveals that students who prepared for college in public schools had a distinctly better record than graduates of private schools or students prepared by tutors, according to an article by Dean C. N. Greenough appearing today in the Harvard Alumni Bulletin.

Dean Greenough, who is in charge of the freshmen year, affords students greater opportunity to adjust themselves to the best methods of instruction which they meet upon entering college. The end of school course, he suggested, could be made more similar to college teaching methods with advantage.

Freshmen have been too little restricted while upper classes have suffered from too much supervision, Dean Greenough said.

WIDOW OF GEO. GOULD DEFENDS CHILDREN

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Mrs. Guinevere Sinclair Gould, widow of George J. Gould, appeared today at the federal hearing in the Gould accounting suit to defend her three children against the charge made yesterday that her husband was not their father.

The charge involving the legitimacy of the three children, who were born before Mrs. Gould's marriage to George J. Gould, was first brought into the accounting suit yesterday when J. Arthur Leve, counsel for George J. Gould, denied that the late George Gould was their father. Mr. Gould in his will acknowledged the children—a boy and two girls—and left them part of his estate.

Mrs. Gould testified that two of her children—George and Guinevere—were born in a hospital in New York city in April, 1915, and June, 1916, respectively. The third, Jane, was born at Lakewood, N. J., in April, 1922, she said.

"Was George Gould their father?" she was asked.

She said she married Mr. Gould in May, 1922, a year after the death of his first wife.

David T. Well, counsel for the guardian of the three children, contended that they became the legitimate children of Mr. Gould when he acknowledged them. A contest over the legitimacy, involving the question of whether they should inherit part of the George J. Gould estate, has been threatened for some time.

NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL BADLY NEEDED HERE

For years, it seems, there has been discussion, pro and con, and mostly the talking, of the need of the installation of a no-school signal that will not depend upon the city fire alarm system. The status of the matter today is unknown and it is doubtful whether it is obtainable.

Another manifestation of the need of a new system came early this afternoon when a fire alarm was sent in from Box 623 at 12:45 o'clock. From that time until well after 1 o'clock, it was next to impossible to get a connection with fire headquarters switchboard, so clogged was the system with calls from persons inquiring as to whether the no-school signal sounded. Such a connection of affairs ought to produce some action relative to a proper no-school signal.

Other cities have given signals that may be heard over a large area as large as Lowell's, why cannot one be purchased for use here?

Box 623 was for a fire in a barber shop at 444 Lakeview street owned by Harvey Trudeau. The damage was slight.

COLOGNE NOT TO BE EVACUATED JAN. 10

LONDON, Dec. 19.—(By the Associated Press) Marquess Curzon, of Kedleston, speaking last night in the House of Lords, in which he is government leader, declared the question of the evacuation of the Cologne area should not be taken up before the commission was made on Jan. 10, when the allies would discuss the extent to which the terms of the treaty related to German occupied territory.

BREITLIN, Dec. 19.—The speech of Lord Curzon in London last night, forecasting that the Cologne area will not be evacuated Jan. 10 (five years from the date of the exchange of ratification of the treaty of Versailles), is viewed with consternation by the German foreign office.

Non-evacuation on that date, it is declared, would be regarded as a breach of the Versailles treaty.

The German government will be much surprised, it is declared, if the allies fail to treat Germany as a contracting party to the treaty who must be heard before the treaty can be altered.

POLICE ASSOCIATION ELECTS OFFICERS

At the annual meeting of the Lowell Police Relief association in the guard room of the police station this afternoon, Officer Clyde R. Aldrich, a member of the liquor squad, was elected president to succeed Jerome Cullen. Officer Cornelius J. Sullivan was elected vice-president of the organization.

CARD OF THANKS

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PROBE BLOCKED BY COMMITTEE

Chairman Hale of Senate Naval Committee to Collect Data From Navy Dept.

Resolution of Senator King, Democrat, Called for Immediate Inquiry

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Action upon the resolution of Senator King, democrat, Utah, for an inquiry into the status of the American navy was postponed indefinitely today by the senate naval committee.

After more than two hours' debate in executive session, however, Chairman Hale was instructed to obtain comprehensive data from the navy department bearing on the charges made by the Utah senator.

Senator Hale said it was impossible to estimate how long it would take to collect this data. Asked whether the resolution had been indefinitely put aside he replied:

"The committee thought it best to wait until they had the facts."

CHRISTMAS EXERCISES IN LOCAL SCHOOLS

Christmas exercises were held in the public schools of the city today and consisted mainly of recitations and singing of Christmas carols. The early date of the exercises was made necessary by the fact that the schools closed this afternoon for the Christmas holiday of one week.

No general observance was held at the high school, although in several of the rooms informal parties were held during the recess periods and programs arranged by the teachers were given.

In the majority of junior high and grammar schools exercises were held in the school auditoriums this afternoon, although in a few instances exercises were confined to the individual rooms. In the kindergartens and primary school, room exercises were held this forenoon.

The program at the Abraham Lincoln school consisted of a play, "The Toys' Rebellion." One performance of the school play for the benefit of the parents, and it was given again this afternoon for the children of the school.

The programs follow:
GREEN SCHOOL.
At the Green school, each room was furnished with a Christmas tree and exercises prepared by the teachers were given for the afternoon, after which refreshments were served.

RIVERSIDE SCHOOL.
Chorus, "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing."
Mendelssohn
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SENATE FIGHT OVER MUSCLE SHOALS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Prospects for settling the Muscle Shoals controversy in the senate before the Christmas recess had faded almost to the vanishing point today with the opposition to the Underwood bill unyielding and leaders prepared to invoke the persuasion of night sessions to obtain action.

Failure of the attempt of Senator Curtis, republican leader, yesterday to fix a time for a final vote had left the leaders of the two main factions, Senators Underwood, democrat, Alabama, and Norris, republican, Nebraska, firmly entrenched today in the determination to fight for their respective bills.

Senator Curtis served notice that he would move for night sessions after Senator Norris had blocked two attempts of the republican leader yesterday to bring the debate to a close.

With the situation threatening an endurance contest, the proposal backed by another group of senators for reference of the whole Muscle Shoals question to a commission has been moved to a preliminary position which they hope will result in its finally being accepted as a compromise.

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RELATIONS WITH JAPAN DISCUSSED ON FLOOR OF THE HOUSE

Plan for Maneuvers by U. S. Fleet Off Hawaii Attacked by Cong. Huddleton—Wingo Urges Congressmen to Keep "Mouths Shut"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Relations with Japan were discussed again on the floor of the house today with members offering a variety of advice to each other and to administration officials.

The plan for maneuvers by the American fleet off Hawaii next year was attacked by Representative Huddleton, democrat, Alabama, as "inadvisable and tactless" in view of the state of public opinion in the United States and Japan.

Representative Wingo, democrat, Arkansas, told the house that President Coolidge and Secretary Hughes were handling American foreign affairs in "a dignified and sensible" way and that "the best members of congress can do to keep our mouths shut and everything will come out all right."

SIX DEATHS DUE TO STORM AND COLD IN MIDDLE WEST

Other States Added to Domain of Storm and Cold That for Five Days Has Held Northwest and Rocky Mountain Region in Icy Grip

CHICAGO, Dec. 19. (By the Associated Press)—The middle west today was added to the domain of the storm and cold that for five days have held the northwest and Rocky Mountain region in an icy grip.

Snow and sleet were generally forecast for the great lakes region, east of the southwest valley and portions of the southwest, while temperature already hovering near the zero mark is expected to sink still lower.

Death stalked in the wake of the cold as it extended its scope, wire communication in many sections was interrupted and trains were delayed.

Three died in the Rocky Mountain region, one was reported in Oklahoma and two were dead in Chicago from the cold.

LARGEST PEACE-TIME SUPPLY BILL EVER PRESENTED TO CONGRESS

Measures Carrying More Than Three-Quarters of a Billion Dollars for Treasury and P. O. Department Reported to House Appropriation Committee

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The largest peace-time supply bill ever presented to congress—a measure carrying more than three-quarters of a billion dollars for treasury and post office department activities during the coming fiscal year—was reported today by the house appropriation committee.

The total is \$763,130,823 or \$11,530,614 more than for the current year, but approximately \$12,000,000 less than budget estimates.

Of the combined total, \$126,911,107 will go to the treasury and \$636,219,716 to the post office department. Included in the treasury item is \$11,000,000 for enforcement of prohibition—\$753,120 more than recommended by the budget but \$41,770 less than the total available this year.

In addition the bill carries \$26,577,935 for the coast guard, which is now being used to prevent liquor smuggling.

Among the post office department items is \$2,600,000 for the transcontinental air mail service—\$50,000 less than the amount granted for this year.

The bill carries \$18,656,200 for the customs service—\$322,941 less than was appropriated last year; \$117,600 for the federal farm loan bureau; \$18,021,560 for the internal revenue service; including \$11,000,000 for prohibition enforcement; \$6,103,191 for the public health service; and \$1,632,046 for mint and assay offices.

"From the evidence obtained by the committee," said the report, "there is no decrease in work to be performed in the enforcement of the prohibition and narcotic act as to justify at the present time a decrease in the organization."

MCCOY ON STAND DENIES HE KILLED MRS. MORS

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 19.—"Kil McCoy," ex-pugilist, on trial here for the murder of Mrs. Theresa W. Mors last August, testifying in his own defense today, denied brokenly that he had killed her, declared that he had loved her and dramatically gave his version of her death. He said it was suicide.

N. Y. AND BOSTON CLEARINGS
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UNIONS TAKE NO ACTION ON WAGE REDUCTION

Local members of the affiliated tax-

the unions are resting on their oars for the present, a leading official told The Sun this morning.

No local union officials will make any statements officially, on the new situation that faces Lowell textile workers of both sexes. Leaders of both the Lowell Trades and Labor and Lowell Textile Council organizations

say that all communications for the present must come only after the executive council of the International United Textile Workers of America takes charge of the new wage schedule situation that has now developed in the largest of Lowell's textile industrial organizations.

President C. E. Anderson of the Trades and Labor council, said this noon that no special meetings have been considered, and that so far as known now, the council will hold no meeting until the next scheduled date, two weeks from last night.

Executive board member, John Hanley, upon whom many of the duties of advising and directing local textile workers devolves in his capacity as official representative of the International union, is now engaged in important board conferences in New York city.

Department Motorized Continued

Engine 3 and housed at the Central station in Palmer street.

Within the next two months there will be delivered to the department, as already provided for in an appropriation, four new 100-gallon White pumping engines and an aerial ladder truck, drawn by a 15-ton White tractor. With the coming of these engines, the last horse in the department will seek more quiet pastures.

Of the four new pumps to be delivered, one will go to Pawtucketville, one to Gorham street, one to Race street and one to Fourth street and then the aerial ladder truck to be installed at Headquarters in Palmer street, the city service ladder truck now there will be transferred to West Fourth

street to replace the horse-drawn truck now in use.

Present Engine 3 at Palmer street, a 100-gallon, probably will go into reserve as a hose machine. Chief Saunders said today that he will order the pumping apparatus on the machine taken off to lighten the load and then place the car in reserve. The pump does not work now and because of inability to get new parts, it never can be repaired.

On either Saturday or Monday the new Ahrens-Fox pumper will be tested before representatives of the board of fire underwriters and if satisfactory will be accepted and put into service. One of the new White pumps ordered is expected to arrive in the city next week and as soon as tested and approved will go to the Fourth street house as Engine 5.

New running cards have been compiled by the chief and now are being printed and will be ready for distribution the first of the year. Some rearrangement of boxes to be answered by apparatus on first alarms has been necessary by the formation of Engine Co. 3 in the Oaklands and there also have been several new alarm boxes added since the present running cards were issued in 1921.

Treachorous Traveling Continued

ing much in the same fashion as did motor car drivers, who provided an amateur circus all their own yesterday morning in just the same way and in the same place.

The host of mill workers found the roads to all places of employment slippery, unsafe walking in every direction. While the majority declined to abandon their tramp to the mill gates, many hundreds of early risers preferred to wait for the street cars

and ride to work when they realized the condition of the usual traffic ways.

The street department crew of sand-spreaders were not called out until 7:30. Some commuters to work who invariably walk from homes to places of employment every working day in the year, criticized the street department for not sending out the "sand men" earlier in the morning.

A fine rain, starting early last evening, turned into ice almost as fast as it fell. Autoists and pedestrians had their troubles all evening, particularly those moving back and forth from the theatres and other places of evening recreation. In the city proper, the rain did not freeze quickly until shortly before midnight.

The weather man diligently keeping his eyes open on the custom house tower in Boston—meteorologist and everything—predicts more rain tonight and tomorrow, with rising temperature, but increasingly strong east and southeast winds. The threat of a cold wave, which has been long on the way from the far west and Calgary northwest sections of the weather map, is still missing, but it is anticipated by the weather sharp that it will reach Lowell Sunday morning, when the present storm will have departed from New England. If present indications can be depended upon, Lowell will certainly have colder weather after this April-fingering storm anyhow.

Temperatures were very low in many sections of the country last night. St. Paul's mercury reading was 2 below zero. San Francisco citizens continue to make poor excuses for all that Golden Gate—Sunshine Gardens literature they sent out to New England just before Thanksgiving day. The mercury reads as low as 13 in Fresno last night, and was still dropping.

Washington temperatures are normal, with a 50 above report and clear weather of the early spring brand. Portland was 18 above last night, and no storms in sight then.

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Seals—

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Street Floor



FUNERALS

McCarthy—With impressive services at St. Margaret's church the funeral of Mrs. Mary McCarthy, an old and highly respected resident of this city, took place this morning at 9 o'clock from her late home, 14 Edison street, and was largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends. The cortege proceeded to St. Margaret's church where at 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Leo O'Day. The choir sang the Gregorian chant, the solos being sustained by Miss Katharine Hennesey and Mr. Cornelius O'Connell. Louis Guilbault presided at the organ. Attendance at the funeral was many of the older residents of St. Patrick's parish, where deceased resided for over 20 years. Also there were present representatives of the business and professional life of the city. There was a procession of beautiful floral and a large number of spiritual offerings. The bearers were Messrs. Leo McCarthy, Charles R. McCarthy and Charles L. McCarthy, John J. Freeman, James McGarrah and Frank J. Hingerty. Burial took place in St. Patrick's cemetery where the committal prayers were read at the grave by Rev. Fr. O'Brien. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons.

JOHNSTON—The funeral of little Robert L. Johnston took place yesterday afternoon from Saunders' funeral home, 217 Appleton street, and was largely attended by friends. The services were conducted by Rev. L. B. Shields, pastor of the First Presbyterian church. There were many beautiful floral tributes. Burial took place in the family lot in the Edison cemetery, where the committal service was read by Rev. Mr. Shields. Arrangements were in charge of Undertakers William H. Saunders.

BRIDGES—Funeral services for Mrs. Emma K. Bridges were held at the home of Undertaker W. Herbert Blake, 18 Market street, yesterday afternoon. Rev. Applin (Catholic), pastor of St. Anne's Episcopal church, officiating. The flowers were numerous, officiating was in the family lot in the Edison cemetery, where the burial service was read by Rev. Mr. Bridges.

SIMPSON—Mrs. Pamela R. Simpson, a resident of this city for the past 20 years, died last evening at the Lowell corporation hospital, at the age of 63 years, 3 months and 10 days. She was survived by her husband, John A. Simpson, and one daughter, Mrs. Marion Simpson, 61 of this city. Mrs. Simpson was a member of the First Union Congregational church. The body will be removed to her home, 67 Methuen street, by Undertaker William H. Saunders.

VALLERAND—The funeral of Oscar Vallerand took place this morning in the midst of a large gathering of sorrowing relatives and friends. The funeral cortege left the home, 70 Rock street, at 8:45 o'clock and wound its way to St. Jean Baptiste church, where at 9 o'clock a funeral mass was sung by Rev. Fr. Albion. The choir, under the direction of M. R. E. Popin, who also presided at the organ, rendered Pietro Ton's harmonized mass. The soloists, Mrs. Edith Popin, Mrs. Maria Jacques, Mrs. Arthur Leveille and Elzear Cote. The Court Middlesex Division of the Foresters of America, Henri Dupre, Paul Hordreau, George Laubie, Narcisse Hordreau, Joseph Cloutier, Thomas Brady, The G.M.A.C. was represented by Albert Racette, William Blais, Antonio Rabilard and Leo Platal. Burial took place in St. Joseph's cemetery in the family lot, where Rev. Fr. Billie Bolduc, O.M.I., read the committal prayers. From out-of-town friends, Messrs. James Dionno, Chagnon or Ivesville, P. Q. and Arthur Arrangement were under the charge and Undertaker Napoleon Bilodeau & Son.

DEATHS

HOMER—Mrs. Mary Homer, for over 20 years a resident of this city and a devout attendant of St. Anthony's church, died this morning at her home, 191 Huron street, after a prolonged illness. She is survived by her husband, John, three daughters, Mrs. Lena Souza, Mrs. Mary Antonio and Mrs. Annie Homer; two sons, John and Jesse Homer of Lowell.

DUFFY—Miss Mary E. Duffy, a well known and popular young resident of this city and a former resident of Milford, died this morning at Rutland, Mass., after a prolonged illness. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Julia Duffy; one sister, Grace; and one brother, Leo Duffy. The family has the sympathy of a wide circle of friends in their bereavement, this being the fourth death in the family in two years. The body was removed to the funeral home of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons, 14 Highland st.

LORIGAN—John T. Lorigan, a resident of this city for the past 35 years, residing at 23 Houghton street, a former employee of the Eastern Mass. St. Railway Co., died this morning at St. Mary's parish, after a long illness. He had been in ill health for the past seven weeks and although his death was unexpected, it will cause sincere regret among many friends. Deceased was a man of many admirable qualities. He is survived by his wife, Mary (McNish) Lorigan; three sons, Thomas P., a well-known latter carrier, Charles P., a member of the Lowell fire department, and John Henry Lorigan, two daughters, Mary E. and Annabel T. Lorigan; also his mother, Mrs. Bridget Lorigan of Ireland. Mr. Lorigan was a member of Div. 8, A.O.U., Street Railway Employees union and the Holy Name society. The body will be removed to his late home, 23 Houghton street, by Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons.

FUNERAL NOTICES

McMahon—The funeral of James McMahon will take place Saturday morning from the home of his cousin, Mrs. Thomas Lancaster, 70 Chapel street, at 9 o'clock. At St. Patrick's church a high mass of requiem will be celebrated at 9 o'clock. Burial will take place in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertaker William A. Mack.

STURGEON—Died in this city, Dec. 18, at the Lowell corporation hospital, Fannie R. Simpson, aged 53 years, 5 months and 10 days. Funeral services will be held at her home, 67 Methuen street, on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Friends are respectfully invited. Undertaker William H. Saunders in charge.

JOHNSTON—Died in this city, Dec. 18, at 173 Stackpole street, Mrs. Janet M. Johnston, aged 71 years, 5 months and 10 days. Funeral services will be held at 121 Walker street Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends are invited without further notice. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Healey.

LORIGAN—Died in this city, John T. Lorigan. Funeral will take place on Monday morning at 9 o'clock from his late home, 23 Houghton st. Solemn high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Mary's church at 10 o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons.

CARD OF THANKS
To our many friends and neighbors we desire to express our sincere thanks for their many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy in our recent bereavement; also for the beautiful floral tributes and spiritual bouquets.

MRS. J. LORIGAN.
I, the undersigned, wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to all those who, by their many kind acts, spiritual and floral bouquets, helped to lighten the burden of my sorrow in the death of my beloved husband.

MRS. LAURA VALLERAND.

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PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Control of Departments by
City Engineer Discussed
at Meeting

Board Passes Resolutions on
Death of Water Depart-
ment Superintendent

Resolutions on the death of Supt. Robert B. Gardner of the water department were drawn up by members of the public service board at their regular meeting yesterday afternoon. The clerk was instructed to set aside a page of the records in memory of the late superintendent, to send a letter of condolence to the widow, and also to send flowers to the home. It was also voted by the board to keep the pumping stations and Merrimack street entrance of city hall draped in mourning for 30 days and to attend the funeral tomorrow afternoon in a body.

The matter of the city engineer taking charge of all departments under the public service board, as voted some time ago, was discussed briefly but action was deferred to next Monday, when the board will meet at noon.

The meeting was called to order at 4 o'clock by Chairman Dennis J. Murphy, all members being present. Attorney William Hegan, representing the Highland Realty Associates, and Edward W. Trull, conferred with the board regarding the lines of the Oakland sewer, final action being deferred for two weeks.

Mr. Douglas was granted permission to close a strip of Hurd street 10 feet wide in front of the proposed location of the new county court house.

The board voted to meet the auditor at noon Monday to discuss financial matters.

Mr. Meigs called attention to a motion introduced by him several months ago and unanimously passed, giving the city engineer full charge of departments under the board, and said he thought it was about time the engineer took charge of the departments.

This was held up, he said, because of the fact that it was suggested an ordinance be drawn up setting forth the engineer's duties, but as this apparently is not forthcoming, he said he would like to see the engineer in charge by the first of the year. The matter was discussed by the three members briefly and action deferred for a conference next Monday noon.

The following resolution on the

death of Supt. Gardner was drawn up by Chairman Murphy to be inscribed on a separate page of the records and to be signed by the three members of the board.

"The water department has met with a great loss in the death of its superintendent and I think that some appropriate action ought to be taken by this board in recognition of his services to the city. I have been in close contact with Robert Gardner since my term of service on this board and I think I could sum up his sterling qualities up in a few words. He was an honest man, a conscientious public servant who held the entire confidence of his department."

"The close attention which he gave the department must have impaired his health. He was present early every morning and late every night and I think his service to the city of Lowell brought about the aid which carried him off. He spent most of his life in the service of the city, devoting all his energy and his time to the water department."

The board then authorized Asst. Supt. James Reynolds to drap the Merrimack street entrance to city hall and the pumping stations for a period of 30 days. The clerk was also instructed to send a letter of condolence to the widow and also a proper floral tribute in the name of the board. The board voted to meet at 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at city hall and to go from there to the home of the deceased to attend the funeral services.

Adjourned at 5:15 o'clock.

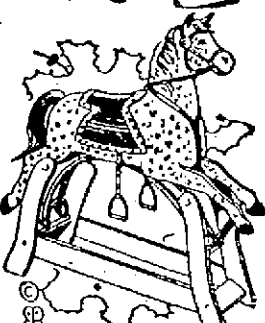
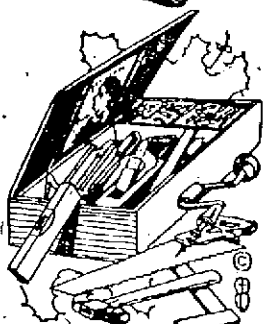
WILL CLOSE DOORS
WHEN LECTURE BEGINS

Miss Sydney Thompson of New York will give a program of readings in the Parker series at the Memorial Auditorium Sunday afternoon, including two original plays and folk-lore.

The Parker course trustees announce that hereafter the doors of the Auditorium will be closed when lectures or entertainments begin, and have been found necessary because of the interruption caused by late-comers and is a ruling now in effect in nearly all lecture courses of a similar nature.

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A parcel of land approximately 10,000 square feet in area, has been sold by Miss Martha Gage to Henry Sullivan, well known swimmer. The land is located in West Fifth street and adjoins the Sullivan home. Mr. Sullivan is at present touring the middle west in vaudeville, but from his brother, Harold, it is learned that it is his intention to erect two modern apartments on the land.



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son resulted in the capture of the fast motor launch, Mary C. 2nd, in the outer harbor. The coast guard patrol boat, Quiet Ann, overhauled the other craft after a four-mile chase and captured three men and sixty gallons of alcohol.

TEXTILE EMPLOYERS
AND WORKERS CONFER

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 19.—A mixed convention attended by textile employers and workers is to open here day.

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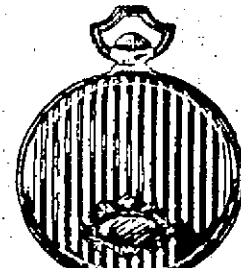
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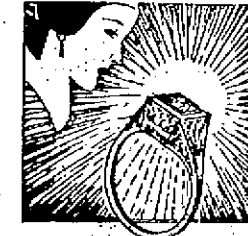
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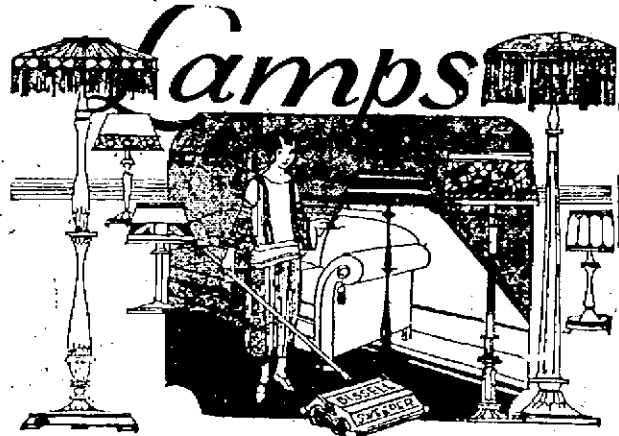
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School Programs

Continued

Recitation, "Keeping Christmas"
 Nils Larsen, Van Dyke
 Duet, "Pat's Jesus"
 Dalmia Gellman, Yvonne Savagone
 Recitation, "Approaching Christmas"
 Berle Gellman
 Chorus, "O Come All Ye Faithful"
 F. Reading
 Semi-Chorus, "Gladly We'll Give"
 Matthew Bell, Alice Sawyer, Yvonne Savagone, Albert Trotter, Milton Fletcher, Gladys Jones, Elizabeth Lemon, Dalmia Gellman, Lina Dion, Helen Donohue, Miriam Sabat, Char-

mont Nadeau, William Georgeau.
 Reading from "The Birds" Christmas Carol
 Mildred Collins, Martha Carragher, Annie Morton
 Chorus, "Holy-Night"
 Recitation, "The King's Gifts"
 Gladys Wood
 Reading, "Jack's Christmas Shopping"
 Chorus, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"
 Recitation, "Just 'Fore Christmas"
 Chorus, "O Little Town of Bethlehem"
 Matthew Bell
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 Brooks

LEXINGTON AVENUE SCHOOL

Grades I and II

Song, "December"
 Recitation, "Santa Claus"
 James Manikas, Stasia Pzyznsky, Charles Litchos, Marjorie McLenney, Robertina Troville, Arthur Troville, Stephen Danakas, Penelope Poulacos

Recitation, "Merry Christmas"
 Alice Silcox
 Poem, "Do You Know What I'd Like To Do?"
 Class

Recitation, "Who Can Tell?"
 Walter Traversy
 Song, "Away in a Manger"
 Class

"A Christmas Worry"
 Blanche Troville, Helen Silcox, Mar-

jorie McLenney, Stella Lallas, Alexandra Manikas, Stella Brown, Janette Pliszewski, Lillian Beisio, Alice Logothetis, Maria Manopoulos, Stella Danakas, Penelope Poulacos

Recitation, "Santa's Present"
 Blanche Troville

Stocking Drill
 Vincent Pzyznsky, Penelope Danakas, Alfred Langlois, Dorothy Marshall, Stephen Danakas, Robertina Troville, Andrew Janopoulos, Angelika Marvodi, Charles Litchos, Helen Jezak, William Bumps, Elvira Ornelas, Paul Poulacos, Blanche Troville, Walter Traversy, Alice Silcox

Recitation, "Hanging Up the Stockings"
 Eleanor Donoghue

Mother Goose Exercise
 Old Woman, Penelope Danakas; Santa Claus, Harold Tomblay; Simple Simon, Charles Donlames; Boy Blue, Howard Butterfield; Jack Horner, Arthur Panagiotopoulos; Little Miss Muffet, Dorothy Marshall; Johnny Stout, John Donlames; Tommy Green, James Manikas

Song, "See the Pretty Christmas"
 Class

Arrival of Santa Claus with Gifts
 Grades III, IV and V

Christmas Carols

Christmas Greeting

Christmas Greeting
 Clifford Butterfield
 Christmas Mottoes
 Anthoula Corones, Frederic Edwards, Dimitrios Poulacos, Kozmika
 Kazanarska, Orin Bump
 Song, "The First Christmas"
 School
 Recitation, "How Many Stars"
 Myrtle Barker
 Dramatization, "The Talented Dolls"
 Doll Shop Woman, Coula George; Hareite, her assistant; Stavroul Poulacos; French Dolls, Dorothy Bump, Ruth Lora, Penelope Poulacos, Helen Clifford, Irene Logothetis, Georgia Courmellis

Recitation, "Help One Another"
 John Donoghue
 Reading, "Gobbie, Gobbie Goo"
 David Mullanix

Recitation, "Poor Santa"
 Dorothy Bump

Priorist, "Mixed Baskets"
 Mrs. Joyce, Elizabeth Walker; Joe and Lucile, her children, John Coughlin, Alexandra Skaperdas; The Maid, Evgenia Corones; Old Mrs. Nixon, the seersister, Violet, Beisio; Old Bill, Walter Kinka

Recitation, "Santa's Hired Man"
 Wendell Butterfield

Song, "Santa's Reindeer"
 School

Recitation, "Wanderings"
 Walter Fall

Song, "The Christmas Tree"
 School

Arrival of Santa with Gifts

BARTLETT JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Primary

Story of the First Christmas
 Eunice Yeaton

Song, "Away in a Manger"
 Verma Green, Beatrice McCabe, Donald Paquin, Pauline Tarr

Recitation, "Babe of Bethlehem"
 Dorothy Scott, Frances Giblin, Charles Hamblett, Marjorie White

Song, "Silent Night"
 School

Recitation, "Christmas Candles"
 Group from Grade III, Frances McCauley, Rena Zingoras, Lila Sullivan, Helen Gill, Virginia Coulam, Lena Proteau, Lillian Morrison

Song, "Santa Claus"
 Donald Paquin, Irene DeForge

Christmas Recitation, Group from

Grades III, IV and V

Christmas Carols

Grade II—

Alice Saba, Millan Rochette, Eleanor

Glendon, Nancy Voyatzis, Gladys

Aden, Evelyn Paquin, E. Louise Smith,

Margaret Davis, Paul Lamphier, Fred-

erick Hoar, W. Raymond McCarthy,

George Abdo

Recitation, "A Christmas Carol"
 Ruth Reynolds

Candle Drill, Group from Grade I:
 Rita DeForge, Mildred Waterhouse, Dor-

othy Waterhouse, Ada Cork, Helen

Carnias, Shirley Benurghard, Helen

Woods, Christina Keane, Beuelia

Huston, Anna Evpak, Shirley Swan-

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Song, "The Christmas Tree"
 Grades I-III

Song, and Recitation, Group from

Grade I

Recitation, "I'd Like to Know"
 Betty Mulry

Song, "Christmas Gift"
 Group from Grade III

Recitation, "Joy Bells"
 Bertha Barton, Helen Maher, Miriam

Waterhouse

Song, "The First Noel"
 Group from Grades II-III

Action Song, "The Toy Shop"
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Song, "Away in the Manger"
 School

Recitation, "Quest of the Magi"
 Michael Hallis

Selection, Orchestra
 Recitation, "The Empty Ruggedy Stock-

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 Shelby Mussen

Drill, March of the Christmas Trees
 Group from Grade IV

Recitation, At Christmas Time

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Song, "Away in the Manger"
 School

Recitation, "Quest of the Magi"
 Michael Hallis

Selection, Orchestra
 Recitation, "The Empty Ruggedy Stock-

ing"
 Shelby Mussen

Drill, March of the Christmas Trees
 Group from Grade IV

Recitation, At Christmas Time

Grade II—

Alice Saba, Millan Rochette, Eleanor

Glendon, Nancy Voyatzis, Gladys

Aden, Evelyn Paquin, E. Louise Smith,

Margaret Davis, Paul Lamphier, Fred-

erick Hoar, W. Raymond McCarthy,

George Abdo

Recitation, "A Christmas Carol"
 Ruth Reynolds

Candle Drill, Group from Grade I:
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othy Waterhouse, Ada Cork, Helen

Carnias, Shirley Benurghard, Helen

Woods, Christina Keane, Beuelia

Huston, Anna Evpak, Shirley Swan-

son, Doris McGughey

Song, "The Christmas Tree"
 Grades I-III

Song, and Recitation, Group from

Grade I

Recitation, "I'd Like to Know"
 Betty Mulry

Song, "Christmas Gift"
 Group from Grade III

Recitation, "Joy Bells"
 Bertha Barton, Helen Maher, Miriam

Waterhouse

Song, "The First Noel"
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FORBES-THOMPSON CASE

Additional Defense Witnesses
Continue Attack on Government's Evidence

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—(By the Associated Press)—Additional defense witnesses were summoned today to continue the attack upon the government's evidence against Charles R. Forbes, former director of the veterans bureau, and J. W. Thompson, Chicago and St. Louis contractor, on trial before Federal Judge George A. Carpenter for conspiracy to defraud the government through veterans' hospital contracts.

Defense witnesses yesterday controverted in detail the story of Elias H. Mortimer, principal government witness, that he paid Forbes \$5000 in cash in the Drake hotel, Chicago, on June 20, 1923, a few minutes after Thompson had handed him \$10,000 in cash in the same room. Miss Edna Breese, a stenographer in the New York office of the veterans' bureau, who was assigned to Forbes' work in the Drake on June 19, 20 and 21, 1923, testified

she had not seen Mortimer in the hotel suite on the 20th, and that she had never seen Thompson until the day before she was called to the witness stand.

Mortimer's story was that he and Thompson entered Forbes' suite together about 3 o'clock in the afternoon of June 20 and that he gave Forbes the money about half an hour later. Miss Breese testified Forbes was not in the apartment between about 3 o'clock and the time she left for home shortly after 6 p. m.

John W. H. Crim, chief of government counsel, began the final session of the third week of the trial today with cross-examination of Miss Breese.

IRISH BRANCH PROTESTS TO LEAGUE

DUBLIN, Dec. 19.—(By the Associated Press)—The Irish League of Nations society has sent to the secretary-general of the International Federation of League of Nations Societies a protest against the British note objecting to registration with the league of the Anglo-Irish treaty. The protest declares the British move detracts from the position of the league and Ireland's membership in it. It asserted that failure to register the treaty would have been virtually a repudiation by the free states of the league covenant.

VISIT OF AMERICAN FLEET TO JAPAN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Announcement yesterday in Tokio that the American and Japanese governments had discussed a possible visit of the American fleet to Japan after the fleet manoeuvres at Hawaii brought no comment today either from the state or navy departments.

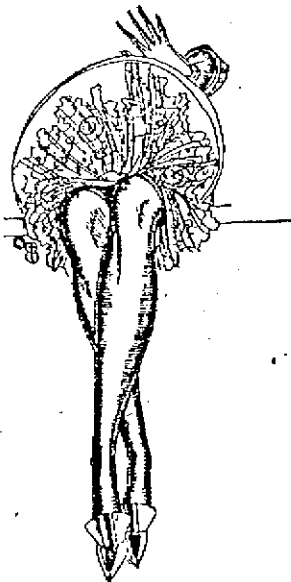
In the absence of Secretary Hughes, who was out of the city, state department officials said they could not discuss the situation.

Premier Kato's statement that his government had found itself unable to extend an invitation for such a visit was believed in some quarters to reflect the difficulties involved in furnishing adequate entertainment in view of conditions in Yokohama and Tokio as a result of the earthquake.

The Japanese would not be content to offer less elaborate hospitality than the American fleet receives in Australian ports and elsewhere.

There is nothing to indicate that the discussion ever went beyond a preliminary exchange of opinion.

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Everyone a Typical Robertson Value

Rembrandt Lamps

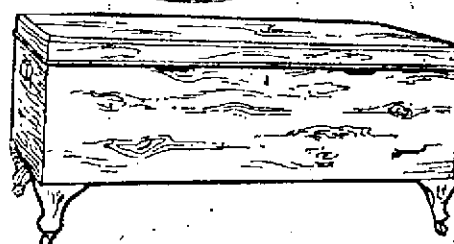
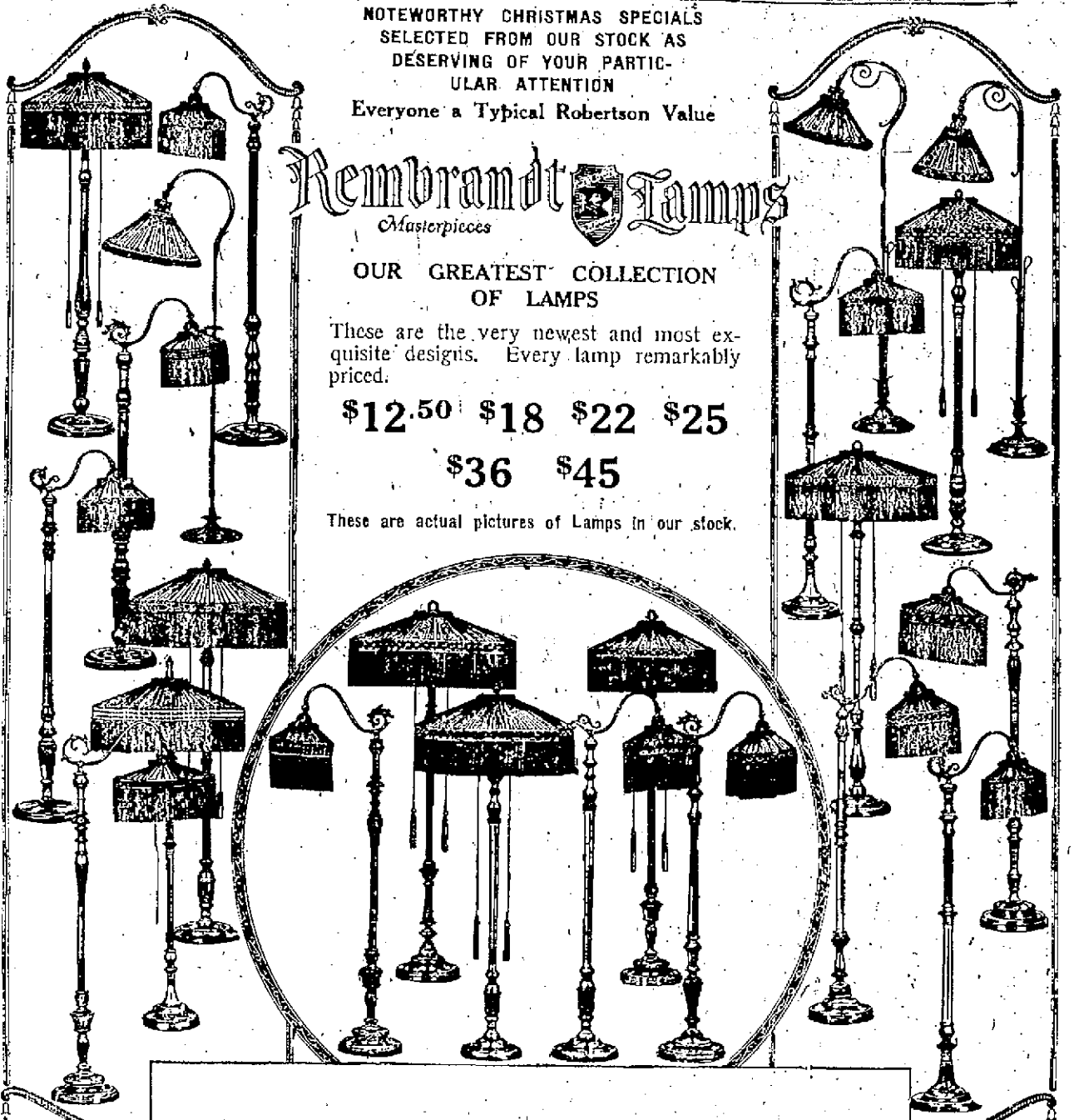
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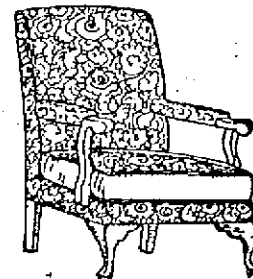
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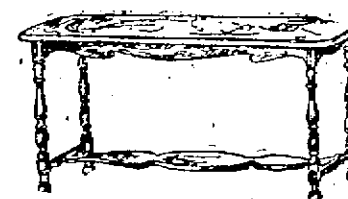
FANCY FURNITURE DEPARTMENT

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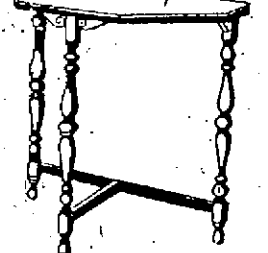
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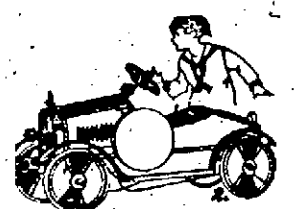
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Of Fine Lawn and Dotted Swiss

Correctly chosen styles for morning wear and for afternoon wear, with or without collar, and cuff sets to match. A varied holiday assortment of dainty aprons in square or English rounds, French brocade and Brittany bibs, edged with heavy buttonhole, embroidery, fllet or fine hemburg.

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We have all kinds,
All sorts of styles,
All sorts of materials,
All sorts of weaves.



Sweaters for Every Occasion Where a Sweater Can Be Worn
Worsted Jacquard Slip-on Sweaters..... **\$2.95 to \$4.95**
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Suits..... **\$7.45**
Worsted Coat Models..... **\$3.95 to \$8.95**
Misses' Worsted and Brushed Buttoned Coats **\$1.95 to \$5.95**
Misses' Worsted Slip-on Sweaters..... **\$1.95 to \$5.95**
Pull-over Shakers..... **\$3.95 to \$7.95**
Shawls..... **\$4.95 and \$5.95**
Shoulderettes..... **\$3.95**
Bedroom Jacquettes..... **\$3.95 and \$4.95**
Fiber Silk Scarfs..... **\$3.95 and \$4.95**
Brushed Wool Scarfs..... **\$1.69 to \$4.95**
Misses' Tam and Scarf Sets..... **\$2.95**
Cardigan Jacquettes without sleeves..... **\$1.95**
With sleeves..... **\$2.95**

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Gift Dresses

For Girls
7 to 14 Years

\$4.95



Checked Tweed, Botany Flannel, Twill Velvet

We are featuring the smartest dresses for school girls at this price. Select one from this assortment. You will be making a pleasing and practical gift.

Second Floor

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Sized 8 to 14 Years, 16 to 20 Misses

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Second Floor

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Our stock is complete, having every needed garment at prices that are enticing.

Women's Medium Weight Vests and Tights..... **\$1.00 and \$1.25**
Women's Heavy Fleece Vests, high neck, long sleeves, Dutch neck, elbow and low neck, sleeveless..... **\$1.00 and \$1.15**
Women's Heavy Fleece Pants and Tights, knee and ankle length, **\$1.00 and \$1.15**
Women's Silk and Wool Vests, high neck, long sleeves, Dutch neck, elbow, **\$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.25**
Women's Silk and Wool Tights, knee and ankle, **\$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.25**
Women's 3-4 Wool Vests, high neck, long sleeves, Dutch neck, elbow, **\$2, \$2.25**
Women's 3-4 Wool Tights, ankle length..... **\$2.00 and \$2.25**
Women's All Wool Vests, high neck, long sleeves, Dutch neck, elbow, **\$3.50, \$3.75**
Women's Medium Weight Union Suits, high neck, long sleeves, Dutch neck, elbow, low neck, sleeveless, knee and ankle..... **\$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.25**
Women's Fleece Union Suits, high neck, long sleeves, Dutch neck, elbow, ankle, **\$2.00 and \$2.25**
Women's Medium Weight Union Suits, silk and wool, low neck, sleeveless, knee and ankle..... **\$2.00, \$2.50, \$2.75 and \$3.00**
Women's Silk and Wool and 3-4 Wool Suits, high neck, long, Dutch neck, elbow, **\$3.75 and \$4.25**
Women's Mercerized Knickers, in black, navy, brown and sand..... **\$1.50**
Children's Fleece Vests, high neck, long sleeves, Dutch neck, elbow, 50c, 65c, 75c
Children's Fleece Pants, ankle..... **50c, 65c and 75c**
Boys' Grey Fleece Shirts, high neck, long sleeves, Boys' Grey Fleece Drawers, ankle length..... **60c and 75c**
Girls' Silk and Wool Vests, high neck, long sleeves, Dutch neck, elbow, **\$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.65 and \$2.00**
Girls' Silk and Wool Pants, ankle length..... **\$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.65**
Children's Fleece Waist Suits, high neck, long sleeves, Dutch neck, elbow, ankle length..... **\$1.00**
Girls' Fleece Suits, high neck, long sleeves, Dutch neck, elbow, ankle length, **\$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50**
Boys' Grey Fleece Suits, high neck, long sleeves, ankle length, **\$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50**

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Oiled Slickers

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Second Floor

MERCIER GIVEN LIFE

Found Guilty of Murder of His Wife—Life Sentence Imposed

PITTSFIELD, Dec. 19.—Louis P. Mercier last night was sentenced to life imprisonment by Judge William A. Burns after a jury of the superior court, which deliberated only an hour and a half, had found him guilty in the second degree of the murder of his wife, Eugenie, mother of their four children, by poison placed in a medicine bottle she was accustomed to use. Mercier took his sentence calmly.

The state charged that Mercier stole the poison and brought it into his home.

The defense claimed that Mercier took the acid poison to open a child's tank and that he warned his wife that he had placed it in the bottle.

OLD INMATE FIDDLER AS OTHERS FLED FIRE

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—An old man, inmate with 154 others of Building D of the west group of the Boston State hospital in Mattapan, fiddled familiar tunes while the others were being moved to safety during a fire which damaged the structure early today. The patients had opportunity to get into their clothes, but Robert Anthony, an attendant, was nearly suffocated before he fled in his night clothing. The fire started in a clothes room from a cause still undetermined today. The loss was comparatively small.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE WAS "A GRAVEYARD"

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Ray T. Harkness, member of the transit commission testifying at Justice McAvoy's transit investigation today, said the city board of estimate was "a graveyard" for all communications sent it by the transit commission.

The board of estimate has not been in the habit of answering communications of the transit commission," he said.

Blame for the delayed construction of the proposed Ashland Place subway station in Brooklyn was put on the board of estimate by Mr. Harkness.

RAIN AND SLEET WRECK TRAFFIC SYSTEM

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Rain and sleet which fell throughout the night here caused a general disruption of the city's transportation system today and made it necessary for hundreds of persons to walk to work, despite a glass of ice which covered sidewalks and streets.

Ice-laden overhead wires caused the temporary abandonment of several car lines through the residential districts and heavy coatings of ice on tree limbs increased the danger for pedestrians. Several times during the forenoon power and lights in the city were shut off.

ANSWER TO PLEAS OF ABATEMENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The government submitted its answer today to the plea in abatement in the cases against E. L. Doherty, E. L. Doherty, Jr., Albert B. Fall and Harry P. Sinclair, growing out of naval oil leasing. Argument was set up in supreme court of the District of Columbia for Jan. 9.

REPORT SCHOONER DRIVEN ASHORE

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—The coast guard cutter Acushnet was sent out to the island of No Man's Land, off Martha's Vineyard, early today on the report that a schooner had been driven ashore on the island in the thick fog prevailing during the night. The name of the distressed vessel and her condition were not known here.

The coast guard crew at Gay Head, Martha's Vineyard, a few miles from No Man's Land, reported that they had heard nothing of a vessel ashore. The weather was still hazy today.



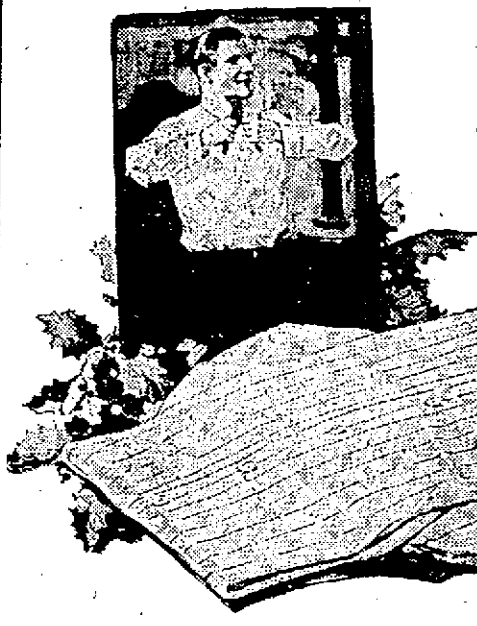
DANCES FOR CHARITY
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Extra Heavy Fibre Silk
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Plain and Fancy
Silk Shirts—

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MEN'S NECKTIES

FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

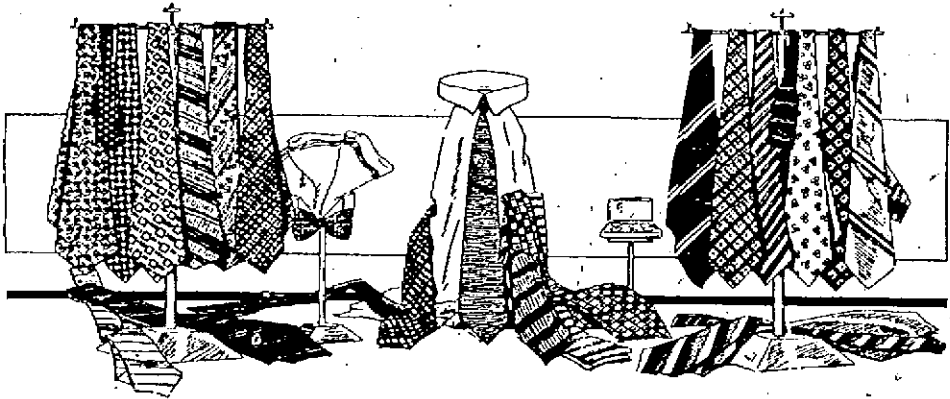
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MEN'S XMAS HOSE

Liste Hose, pair.... 25c and 39c
Cashmere and Heather, pair 50c
Fibre Silk, pair.... 39c and 50c
Silk and Wool.... 95c and \$1.25
Pure Silk, pair.... 95c to \$2.00

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Brushed Wool Mufflers for \$1.00
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Mufflers..... \$2.95
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Becoming Styles for Little Boys

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Special \$4.95

All Wool Shaker Knit.....\$2.75 to \$3.95
Others.....\$1.45 to \$7.45



BOYS' SHEEPSKIN LINED
COATS and MACKINAWs
Sizes 8 to 18

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BOYS' XMAS PLAY SUITS

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COWBOY SUITS

Sizes 4 to 10

\$2.15 and \$3.25

BASEBALL SUITS

Sizes 10 to 16

\$2.15 and \$3.45

JUNIOR PLAY SUITS—Sizes 3 to 8

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BOYS' SHIRTS

95¢ to \$1.75

Boys' Flannel Shirts.....\$1.45 to \$2.45
Boys' Blouses from..... 75¢ to \$1.45
Boys' Flannels Blouses..... 95¢ to \$1.75
Boys' Broadcloth Blouses, collar attached, in white, blue, tan, \$1.65



BOYS' NECKTIES

Cut silk and knitted styles.
25¢, 35¢, 50¢

BOYS' SPORT HOSE

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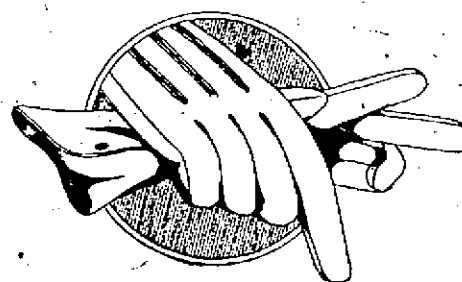
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Ladies' Silk Umbrellas, latest handles, first quality..... \$3.45
Other Silk Umbrellas, in regular and Mah Jong lengths, 8 to 16 Ribs
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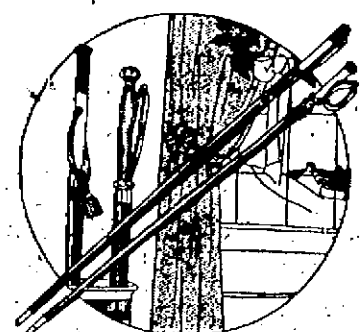
COMBINATION SETS

Arm Bands, Suspenders, Carters, Bow Ties
and Belts

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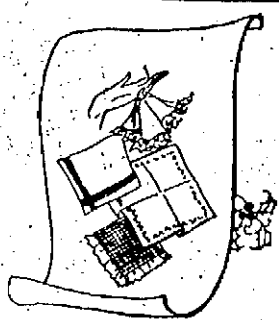
GLORIA UMBRELLAS

\$1.25 to \$5.00



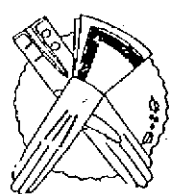
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Helpful Suggestions for Christmas Shoppers



Handkerchiefs

THE GIFT THAT IS SURE TO PLEASE
 Women's Hand Made Colored Linen Handkerchiefs 59c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50 each
 Women's Crêpe de Chine Handkerchiefs, all shades 35c and 50c each
 Women's Pongee Silk Handkerchiefs, hand made, Special 50c each
 Men's Colored Initial Handkerchiefs, in three colors, orchid, tan and blue, 3 in a box, at \$1.00 box
 Boys' All White and Colored Border Handkerchiefs 12½c, 15c and 25c each
 Women's Lace Edge Handkerchiefs, special 39c and 50c each
 Men's All Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, 35c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00 each
 Men's White Silk Handkerchiefs, with or without colored borders, 59c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50 each
 Street Floor



THOUGHTFUL FOLK ARE GIVING Gloves!

Ladies' Two-Clasp Kid Gloves, with heavy embroidered backs, self and contrasting stitching; colors, grey, brown, tan, black and white, white and black \$2.00 pair
 Ladies' Strap Wrist Gloves, colors, grey, brown, heaver, mode, black and white, heavy embroidered backs \$2.98 pair
 Ladies' Mocha Gloves, grey and tan, self embroidered backs \$3.49 pair
 Children's Fleece Lined Suede and Cape Skin Gloves, colors, tan and brown \$1.29 pair
 Street Floor

Hosiery

The Supreme Gift

Pure Thread Silk Hosiery, full fashioned, reinforced heel, high spliced heels, elastic garter tops, black, nude, airdale, neutral grey, new tan, beige and cordovan, Gordon and Hemingway makes \$1.95



All Silk "Onyx" Stockings, full fashioned, all silk to the top, popular "Pointex" heel, lace clox in a variety of attractive patterns \$2.95
 Street Floor

Grocery Dept.

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

Heinz Plum and Fig Pudding, Small, 18c; Medium, 35c; Large, 66c
 National Plum Pudding, medium can 32c
 Fancy No. 1 Mixed Nuts, lb. 28c
 California Soft Shells, lb. 35c
 Fancy Walnuts, lb. 30c
 Fancy Stuffed Olives, 8 oz. jar 27c
 Heinz Mince Meat, 1-lb. tin can 24c
 Not-a-Seed Raisins, pkg. 10c
 Grandmother Mince Meat, pkg. 13c
 Fancy Currants, pkg. 16c
 Fancy Seeded and Seedless Raisins, 15-oz. pkg. 11c
 Fancy Malaga Cluster Raisins, lb. 35c
 Sun-Maid Cluster Raisins, lb. 15c
 Baker's and Foss' Vanilla, bottle 28c
 Lemon and Orange Peel, ¼-lb. pkg. 15c
 White House Coffee, 1-lb. pkg. 50c
 Shelled Walnuts, in glass jar 30c
 Shelled Walnuts, in ½-lb. tin can 39c
 Basement

SILK KNIT UNDERWEAR

FOR GIFTS

Silk Knickers, in flesh, orchid and peach, double cuff. Very special at \$2.19
 Silk Vests, in all the wanted shades, all sizes. Prices \$1.19 to \$2.98
 Bloomers and Step-ins to match—
 Bloomers \$1.69 to \$3.98
 Step-ins \$1.50 to \$3.98
 Silk Knickers, in all the desirable shades, including navy, taupe, sand, brown and others. Priced at \$2.98 and \$3.98
 Street Floor



Gifts for Children

Extra Heavy Brushed Wool Sets, 4 pieces, in white, peacock, taupe and buff \$5.00
 Children's Heavy Blanket Bathrobes, in snappy little patterns, light and dark shades, \$1.95 and \$2.95
 Children's 2 to 6 Panty Dresses, made of increased poplin, hand embroidered and trimmed with organdie \$2.95
 Wonderful Selection of Kiddies' Rompers, pink, blue, tan, green and cheeks, some solid colors and others with white tops, sizes 1, 2, 3, 4 \$1.00
 We Have a Complete Line of Cotton and Woolen Blankets and Carriage Robes, hand and machine made, satin and taffeta trimmed \$1.25 up to \$5.95
 Fur Carriage Robes, "Ice Land Lamb," in white and grey, just the right thing to keep baby warm \$7.50 to \$13.50
 Children's 2 to 6 Tuxedo and Slip-on Sweaters, brushed wool, shaker knit and fancy weaves \$1.49 up to \$3.95
 Guaranteed Twill Back Velvet Dresses, brown and blue, hand embroidered, plain and scalloped hem \$5.95
 Baby Buntlings, in white eiderdown and chinilla \$2.95, \$3.95 to \$5.95
 Second Floor

CANDY

Special for Christmas
 OUR REGULAR 40c
 "AMERICAN MIXTURE"
 23c Lb.
 A Pure Wholesome Candy
 at Remarkably Low Price

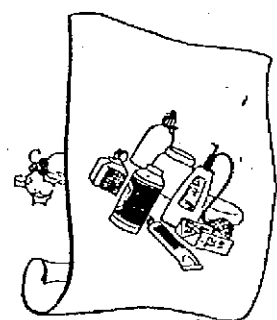
"BLUE BANNER" CHOCOLATES

IN FANCY XMAS BOXES
 A Very Special Assortment
 Attractively Priced

JEWELRY

The gift of enduring charm

Whiting & Davis Mesh Bags, \$1.49 to \$10.00
 Fountain Pen and Pencil Sets, \$3.98 and \$4.98
 Eversharp Pencil 69c
 Ladies' Sterling Silver and Gold Pencils, 79c
 Cuff Links—Special \$1.00
 Stick Pins \$1.00 to \$4.98
 Sterling Silver Bar Pins—Set with all wanted colors of stones with safety clasp \$1.00
 Indestructible Pearls \$1.00 to \$15.00
 Cigarette Cases, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$2.98
 Bill Folds, 49c, \$1, \$2, \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50, \$3.98
 Children's Locket—Gold
 Children's Finger Rings—Gold and gold filled
 Children's Bracelets—Sterling and gold
 Street Floor



Toilet Goods

Gifts for Men and Women

Perfumes, imported and domestic, put up in attractive boxes 25c to \$10.50
 Toilet Waters, imported and domestic, put up in attractive boxes 50c to \$9.00
 Manicure Sets, Cutex-Hyglo-Melba, box, 50c to \$2.50
 Atomizer, all guaranteed 59c to \$10.00
 Manicure Roll-ups, in leather case, silk lined, amber, shell, pearl, ivory, \$2.49 to \$16.98
 Compact, powder and rouge 69c to \$3.50
 Toilet Sets, perfume, powder, toilet water, talcum, at 25c to \$12.50
 This includes Hudnut's, Piver's, Djer-Kiss, Melon, Coty's, Woodworth's, Colgate's
 Bath Salts, in all the new odors, 75c to \$6.50
 Military Brushes, ivory, shell, ivory and shell, ivory and amber and ebony. These are all boxed in leatherette or satin lined boxes, \$1.79 to \$16.98
 Incense and Incense Burners 25c to \$2.98
 Ivory Pyralis, plain, Dabarry, amber and two-tone. A complete line 39c to \$8.49
 Sets from 3 to 18 Pieces in Amber—Two-tone and ivory \$7.98 to \$65.00
 STATIONERY—Attractively Boxed
 Cards 50c to \$1.00
 Double Correspondence Cards—White and colors 69c
 Boxed Stationery, in all new shades, 79c to \$2.25
 Street Floor

SILVERWARE

Silverware Makes a Very Practical GIFT FOR THE HOME

26-Piece Chest of Sheffield Silver, consisting of 6 Knives, 6 Forks, 6 Tablespoons, 6 Teaspoons, Sugar Shell and Butter Knife; value \$7.08. Special \$4.98
 Rogers' 1881 26-Piece Set of Silver, consisting of 6 Knives, 6 Forks, 6 Teaspoons, 6 Tablespoons, Sugar Shell and Butter Knife, put up in nicely lined mahogany chest; value \$18.00. Special at \$10.98
 Rogers' Individual Salt and Pepper Shakers, 6 in a set, in satin lined box; value \$2.50. Special at \$1.98
 Street Floor



WOMEN'S and MISSES' FUR TRIMMED COATS

At Bargain Prices

\$18.75 \$25.00 \$32.50
 Values from \$29.50 to \$49.50

All new styles and colors are represented, beautiful Polo and Suede Fabrics, trimmed with Marmink, Squirrel, Bay Squirrel, Opossum, Sealine and Mandel.

LUXURIOUS FUR COATS

Specially Priced
 MUSKRAT COATS, \$87.50
 fine selected pelts
 NORTHERN SEAL, plain and \$97.50
 squirrel trimmed
 Other Wonderful Values up to \$400
 Second Floor

Dainty Silk Underwear

THE INTIMATE GIFT



Princess Slips—Of tricot, in several different shades, with contrasting flounce \$1.95
 Chemise, Radium silk or crepe de chine, in plain styles, or with dainty lace trimmings, \$2.95 each

Bloomers, in peach, orchid, white of flesh, made of a fine quality crepe de chine or radium silk, with or without lace trimmings \$2.95 each

Gowns, in all the wanted colors, of radium silk or crepe de chine, some with beautiful lace, or crochet trimming, some plain tailored styles, others with new flut work, \$4.95 and up to \$9.95

Step-ins, of pure silk crepe de chine, with lace trimmings. Colors, white, flesh, peach and orchid \$1.95 and \$2.95
 Chemise, fashioned of pure silk crepe de chine, or radium silk with trimmings of Irish crochet. Filet and embroidery. Also plain tailored styles \$3.95 and \$4.95
 Second Floor Annex

LINENS

The most practical of all gifts

Embroidered Pillow Cases, beautifully embroidered patterns with motif and medallion insertions. Finest quality, 98c to \$2.49 pair
 Pure Linen Dinner Sets, consisting of 72-inch hemstitched cloth and one-half dozen napkins to match. Three patterns \$5.49 set
 Extra Large Size Jacquard Turkish Towels—Heavy double thread. Blue, rose and orchid. Past color borders \$1.15 each
 Fancy Jacquard Bath Towels—Good size, all perfect. The best value for 59c each
 Boxed Turkish Towel Sets, some have Chinese silk colored borders, others fast color shell edge. A large assortment to select from, 50c to \$1.75 set
 Street Floor

The Curtain Shop

OFFERS

Velour Pillows

As Illustrated



A wonderful gift, inexpressively priced. Good size, well filled, with tapestry centers, edged with gilt braid, cotton saten backs, wanted colors.

Also Square and Oblong Pillows
 \$1.49 to \$3.98
 Third Floor

IN THE BASEMENT SHOE DEPT.

Just Arrived! Another Lot of Those Popular 1-BUCKLE OVERSHOES \$1.00
 For Boys, Misses, Women and Children.

Gift Suggestions from the Bargain Basement

WOMEN'S AND MISSES'

Bathrobes \$2.95



One thousand Satin or Ribbon Trimmed Bathrobes, made of the famous Beacon and Lawrence Blankets. Many desirable patterns on medium or dark grounds. All are cut full size, perfect in every way and splendidly finished throughout. Regular and out sizes, 36-52.
 New Crepe Gowns—Plain and floral patterns \$1.00
 Fancy Cretone Fudge Aprons, pretty patterns 59c, \$1.19
 Gowns, of Silk and Linette, \$1.79

New House Dresses, of Cotton serge, all pretty colored checks, with flannel cuffs and collar \$1.95

SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY

Gloria Swanson HATS \$1.50



Good quality felt in Sand, Henna, Cranberry, Copen, Black, Red and Brown.

Second Floor

Commencing Saturday This Store Will Be Open from

9 a. m. to 9 p. m. until Christmas

CHRISTMAS CLUB CHECKS ACCEPTED AS CASH

Chalifoux's
 CORNER

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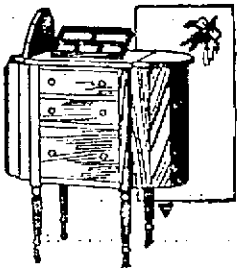
A Real Gift for the HOME!

Make this the happiest Christmas ever for your family by adding a wonderful New Living Room Suite that all can take pride in and enjoy to the fullest! Included in this special offer is a luxurious Davenport, Arm Chair and Wing-back Chair, covered in a delightful new velour design, with spring cushions and very comfortable roll arms. The ideal gift for the home at our special price of

\$175

MARTHA WASHINGTON SEWING CABINETS

\$24



Solid mahogany, Tudor finish, Grand Rapids make and quality.

CEDAR CHEST SPECIAL

\$25

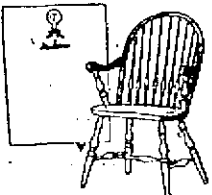


This is a wonderful storage chest with especially constructed lid and rounded corners. Like all LANE Chests it is made of solid, durable wood.

Others \$10 to \$60

WINDSOR CHAIR

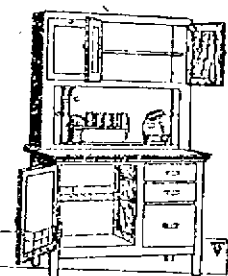
\$9.95



The type of chair that is seen so much in the newer, most tastefully decorated homes. Beautifully finished in mahogany.

"SELLERS" KITCHEN CABINET

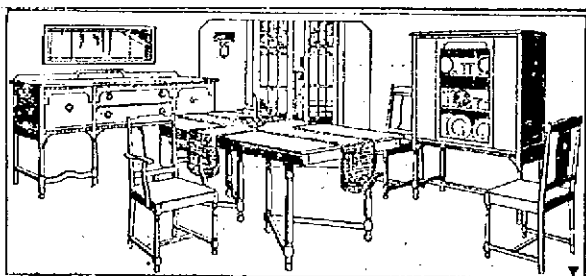
\$45



The cabinet with the 15 famous features, set of dishes given with Christmas Cabinets. Easy terms.

Beautiful 9-Piece DINING ROOM SUITES

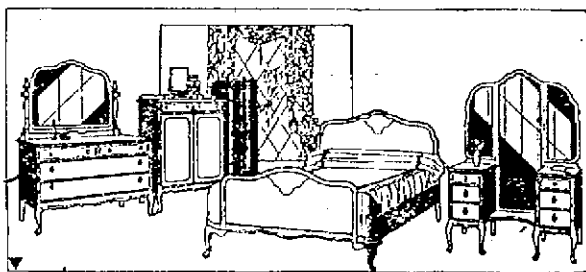
\$149



You'll be pleased when you find what handsome suites you can secure for such a small outlay! There's an oblong table that extends to full 6-foot length, 60-inch buffet, china closet, five chairs and a host chair, in combination walnut, for only \$149.

A Splendid Gift! Four Pieces

\$165



Values like these will make your Christmas giving a pleasure! Included in this wonderful offering is a full-size bow-end bed, handsome triple-mirrored full vanity, chiffonette and dresser, in a most attractive design and finished in beautiful walnut, \$165.



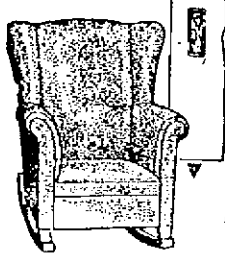
RUGS

ALL THAT'S NEW AND BEAUTIFUL IN 9x12 WILL TONS, as low as... **\$52.50**

These attractive rugs make an unsurpassed Christmas gift for the home. You'll find a wonderful assortment of the newest patterns and colorings, in all grades, to select from at special low prices.

GENUINE LEATHER ROCKER

\$19.98



Genuine brown Spanish leather, deep seating seat and high back back. A bargain!

DOLL CARRIAGE

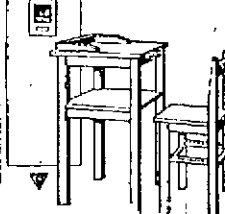
\$6.50



Close woven fibre reed, long handle and brake. Others \$3.50 to \$18

TELEPHONE TABLE AND CHAIR

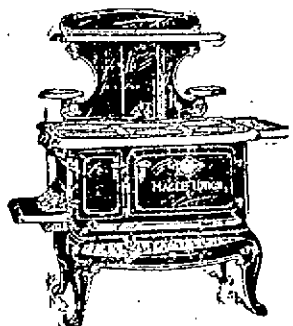
\$6.75



Useful and attractive, finished in mahogany. Just a few—hurry!

MAGEE RANGE

\$75



Join our Christmas Magee Range Club. Easy Terms. A combination Wear-Ever *Windsor Kettle, consisting of four pieces, given with every range.

LOWELL TEXTILE SCHOOL PARTIES

Christmas parties were conducted by two fraternities of the Lowell Textile school in the fraternity houses last evening, after which the two joined together and enjoyed dancing at the Commodore.

Beta chapter, Delta Kappa Phi, celebrated the Yuletide with a party at its home, 115 Mt. Vernon street, at which were present active and past members and members of the school faculty. Byron Bentley, football captain, was "Santa Claus" and distributed gifts to the persons present, after which an entertainment program was given.

At the home of Omicron Pi fraternity at Pawtucket and Wampanoag streets, a similar party was held and was enjoyed by a large number of active and past members.

CHRISTMAS TREE IN CHURCH VESTRY

Annual Christmas tree festivities were conducted in the vestry of Christy Baptist church last evening, the program being prepared for the entertainment of younger members of the school in the large Junior and Intermediate Sunday school rooms. It was the merriest Yuletide party imaginable, with an excellent entertainment provided for the young folks and the usual gifts of useful articles, candy, etc.

A happy feature of the entertainment program was a delightful pantomime with music, "Mother Goose's Visit to Santa Claus," in which more than 40 boys and girls took part. Miss Florence Lalline directed the production in excellent fashion. Miss Carrie

Stewart had charge of the very effective costumes; and Miss Ruth Alston, leader of the Camp Fire Girls, attended to the decorative work. The scenery was installed by Charles H. Thurston and Albert W. Phinney.

Among the many guests was the new pastor, Rev. Wallace C. Sampson, and Mrs. Sampson who received many beautiful gifts of esteem.

LIVING WITHIN ITS APPROPRIATION

For the first time in several years, the police department will not exceed its appropriation, which for 1924 was \$355,252.85. Acting Supt. Hugh Downey said today. This is due, he added, to strict economy within the department.

MONROE'S TUXEDOS



Silk Lined TUXEDOS

EVENING clothes are no longer the luxury of the few. They have become the every day necessity of the majority.

At our price no man need deny himself the pleasure of adding this suit to his wardrobe.

This new distinctively smart silk-lined Tuxedo is the sort you instantly take to—tailored with infinite care and styled according to the fancies of the better dressed men.

2-PANTS SUITS

Cheviots Herringbones
Tweeds Cassimeres
Pencil Stripes Worsteds
Mixtures Checks
Serges Flannels

OVERCOATS

Great Coats Dress Coats
Form-fitting Chesterfields
Double-breasted Box Coats
Street Ulsters Guard Coats
Belted Coats Plain Coats

\$25

102 CENTRAL STREET

Monroe's Clothes

Lookin
FURNITURE CO.
Prescott Street

ELABORATE PROGRAM AT THE NORMAL SCHOOL

An elaborate program of instrumental numbers and readings was given by the pupils of the Lowell State Normal school this morning in the assembly hall of the school under the direction of Miss Inez Field Damon, director of music.

CUTICURA



Promotes Skin Purity And Beauty

Daily use of the Soap keeps the skin fresh, smooth and clear, while touches of the Ointment now and then prevent little skin troubles becoming serious. They are ideal for the toilet, as is also Cuticura Talcum for powdering and perfuming.



CORNS

Now—get relief in one minute from corns, callouses and bunions with Dr. Scholl's Zino-pads. They remove the cause—friction and pressure. Thin, easy to apply, antiseptic, healing. Three sizes. Nothing so quick and sure. At your druggist or shoe dealer.

Dr Scholl's Zino-pads

"Put one on—the pain is gone"

Victrolas

On Special Outfit Plan

Always the Standard of Talking Machine Values—the Victrola and our Special Outfit Payment Plan combine to help you to this supreme Christmas gift.

Pay \$5 for Records



VICTROLA \$110

Victrola Console 210 with \$5 choice of Records—complete \$115. Outfit Plan Terms.

Victrola Upright \$80 with \$5 choice of Records—complete \$115. Outfit Plan Terms.

Victrola 215 Console with \$5 choice of Records, \$165. With same Victrola containing panel to hold radio set. This outfit for \$165. Outfit Plan Terms.

Victrolas for Radio

You may now secure the Victrola in several Console models which have a special panel by means of which a radio set can be installed. The Victor company advise they are behind on orders—so choose yours now.

CHRISTMAS VICTOR RECORDS

IN THE BASEMENT



IN THE BASEMENT

Use Our Checks To Purchase Clothing, Coal, Jewelry and All Xmas Gifts at Any Leading Cash Store

PAY US A SMALL AMOUNT WEEKLY

AMERICAN PURCHASE CO.

7 MERRIMACK ST. ROOM 8 Over Green's Drug Store

LET US SAVE YOU MONEY BY DOING YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING IN OUR STORE We Give a 50c Calendar With Every \$1.00 Purchase COME AND SEE FOR YOURSELF. A. Olszanski's Toyland and Novelty Shop 110 LAKEVIEW AVENUE

USED MOTOR CARS AT SACRIFICE PRICES

This is the time of year when good automobiles may be purchased for a song. Dealers, rather than carry cars all winter, offer them at sacrifice prices. Henry A. Blaissonette, the well known distributor for Chrysler and Maxwell cars has commenced a clearance sale at his Middlesex street showrooms and first-class reconditioned cars can be bought

there for a song. Mr. Blaissonette has a number of first class cars, some run only a few thousand miles, that were traded in for the new Chrysler and Maxwell models and he is offering real money-saving values. Terms are arranged without quibbling to suit the prospective buyer and the person who wants a motor car for Xmas has a great opportunity offered here. All cars are guaranteed just as reconditioned and a visit to the showrooms will prove more convincing than the printed word that real genuine bargains are offered. Mr. Blaissonette is anxious to dispose of his used car stock to make room for the strainloads of 1925 Chrysler and Maxwell models that will pass through his hands in the ensuing year. He is disposing of his used cars at almost unheard of prices and a man who really wants a car will find his bargain waiting for him at the Middlesex street showrooms.

THE LEAGUE OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

An elaborate program will be given at the regular meeting of the League of Catholic Women on Sunday afternoon which incidentally will be observed as "Guest Sunday" when each member will be allowed to bring a guest. Rev. Paul L. Maloney, S.J., as-

sociates editor of "American," will be the speaker of the afternoon and his topic, "Is Democracy on the Downgrade?" promised to be most interesting. An appropriate program will be given by the league orchestra and there will be carol singing.

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY CLOSING FOR HOLIDAYS

Notre Dame Academy closed for the regular Christmas recess this noon. An elaborate program, including orchestral selections by the school aggregation and a short playlet by the senior members assisted by the junior

students, marked the closing of the holiday season.

During the morning the students assembled in the school auditorium, where they received the season's greetings from Rev. St. Mary St. Alice superior, and their teachers. Each pupil received a Christmas remembrance from the superior, following which the program was given. The school will reopen on Jan. 4 for the boarders and on Jan. 5 for the day pupils.

Fish running up the Siberian rivers to the Altai mountains each spring swim in such close-packed ranks that it is impossible to row amidst them.

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1924

Talbot's Anniversary Sale

A Great Pre-Holiday Event

Christmas Gifts at Tremendous Savings

Hundreds of Beautiful Patterns in Rich Colors Will Make This Sale a Great Event for Holiday Buyers.

Christmas Neckties

Thousands of them ready for your choosing at amazingly low prices.

Fine Domestic Silks, \$1.00 qualities, in a great variety of colorings. Anniversary Sale Price 65c Two for \$1.25

An Unusually Large Assortment of \$1.50 Silks—Beautiful qualities. Anniversary Sale Price 85c Two for \$1.60



Finest Silk Neckwear

\$2.00 Qualities. \$1.35

Three for \$4 Heavy

Italian Twills \$2.50 Qualities

\$1.85

Two for \$3.50

Sweaters

Entire stock 10% reduction. All marked in plain figures. You Deduct 10%.

Talbot Clothing Co.

Central at Warren St.

1880

44 Years Serving Lowell Anniversary Sale

1924

American House Block

We Suggest Shirts for Christmas Gifts. Men Appreciate Them, and We Are Showing Most Wonderful Values.

Shirts

Top Notch Madras and Silk Stripe \$1.35 Three for \$4

Fancy High Grade English Broadcloths, woven stripes; \$4 and \$5 qualities, Three for \$8.50

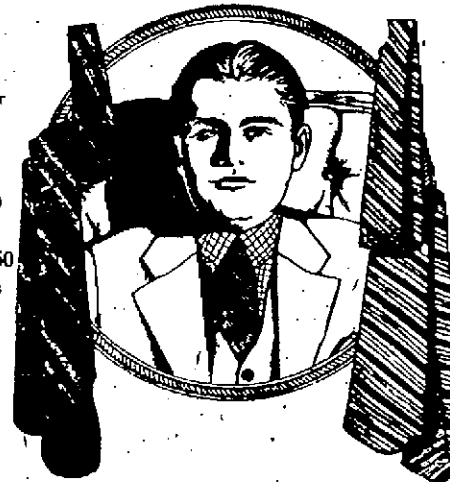
English Broadcloths Plain Colors Neckband or Collars Attached \$1.95

Three for \$5.50

Finest Grades of Fibre Shirts, Worth \$4, \$5

\$3.45

Three for \$10



Gloves

\$3.50 genuine black \$2.95 head Mocha Gloves.

PARTY BY EVENING HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

An entertainment and dancing party was held in Caburn hall of the high school last evening by students of the evening high school and was very successful.

School periods were shortened and the student body met in the hall, where the following program of entertainment was given under the general direction of Miss Gladys Mavis, of the faculty:

Philo. recitation, "Military Polonaise," Miss Alice Goldstein; Paraphrase in costume, Misses Muri and Helen; Tautlinas; songs, "Memory Lane," "A Kiss in the Dark," Miss (Celia) Davis; reading, "Seeds Things," Miss Anne Shepherd; song, "Merrill," Miss Wood; "The Song of the Weaver's Courtship," Miss Clara Caldwell; dialogue, "At the Doctor's Office," Austin MacKenzie and Frederick Crowley; reading, "At the Crossroads," Miss Anna Shapiro; songs, Wesley

\$150,000 FIRE LOSS AT GREENWICH, CONN.

GREENWICH, Conn., Dec. 19.—Fire today destroyed the George D. Peabody building on Church street, ruining 31 automobiles in John Oliver's garage, located in the building, and badly damaged the garage of Joseph Rivers, adjoining, causing a loss estimated at \$150,000. The offices of the Peabody Plumbing company in the Peabody building were burned out.

The fire is believed to have started from an oil heater in the Peabody office. Boynton, Miss Margaret Martin, accompanist; reading, "A Christmas Carol," Nicholas Rivaults. The completion of the entertainment program (the floor of the hall was cleared of chairs and general dancing was enjoyed until 11 o'clock with members of the school faculty acting as chaperons.

MEXICAN WORKERS IN N. Y. OFFICIAL HELD FOR PERMITS FOR ERECTION OF NINE HOUSES

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 19.—Workers throughout Mexico, acting under the initiative of the regional federation of labor, are laying down their tools for one hour before noon today as an expression of respect and mourning for the late Samuel Gompers. At the same time traffic will be stopped in Mexico City.

The theatres and motion picture houses are to close at 10 o'clock tonight and the newspaper workers will cease activity an hour before midnight.

Photographers' "hypo" injected into the veins is an antidote for arsenic poisoning, according to British physicians.

GRAND LARCENY

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Edward P. Kearney, formerly deputy state comptroller and more recently warrant clerk in the comptroller's office, was today arraigned in police court here to be charged with first degree grand larceny in the hypothecation of bonds valued at \$5,000. Kearney was arrested yesterday in the comptroller's office after an inventory had disclosed the bonds were missing and investigation had tended to indicate, according to Comptroller James W. Flannery, that Kearney was responsible. It was said he admitted using the bonds as collateral with brokers' houses.

Kearney has been in the state employ nearly 28 years.

A typewriter of white enamel and gold, with ivory keys, is in the possession of the queen of Spain.

TEXTILE SCHOOL SENIOR CLASS PROM

The annual prom of the senior class of the Lowell Textile school was held Wednesday evening at the Hotel Marlborough and, as in previous years, the event marked the first formal affair of the school year.

The hall was decorated for the occasion with the various school and (fraternity) banners. General dancing was enjoyed until a late hour, after which receptions were held in the various houses of the school fraternities. President and Mrs. Charles H. Barnes were the guests of the evening, and among those present were the following:

Luther C. Merrill and Miss Priscilla Fox, E. L. Whittemore, Jr., and Miss Mildred Tibbels, Sanford C. Perry and Miss Madge Cooney, Robert Chase and Miss Alice Safford, George E. Coupe, Jr. and Miss Alice M. Heslin, John M. McArthur and Miss Christine Brick, Maurice Baker and Miss Anne Suskin.

DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING AT FIDLER'S

The December issue of the High School Review went on sale yesterday and contains much of interest to pupils and adults interested in the school. There are the usual departments, including social, exchanges, knocks and jokes.

The hide of one whale has provided 200 pairs of boots, 25 pairs of shoes, much heavy belting and many gross of shoestrings.

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WON BY A LOWELL WOMAN!

Mrs. Edith C. Pulsifer of 473 Beacon Street Who Was One of the Prize Winners in the Recent MAGEE CHRISTMAS RADIO COOKERY CONTEST As Announced From Stations WEEI and WNAC on Wednesday Last. MRS. PULSIFER'S PAPER WAS AS FOLLOWS: THE NEW ECONOMY IN GAS COOKING

At a time when the family income is still running a desperate race with the family expense account it is a privilege to call to the harassed housewives across the shining kitchens of America a message of Great Good Cheer. To tell them that a wonderful, new gas oven has been worked out for them in the Magee Cabinet Gas Range that is revolutionizing the business of cooking and is proving a genuine and tremendous saving in gas, heat and money.

Ever since the day when the crane above the open blaze gave rise to the old adage that "A watched pot never boils," men have been thinking about increasing and conserving heat. After the open fireplace came the old brick oven, then the great-granmother knew, then came the wood and coal burning kitchen range, followed by the primitive oil and gas stoves. At last the success of the fireless cooker seemed to present a solution of the many problems of food preparation, but it remained for the Magee Cabinet Range to combine the good points of all types, to eliminate the disadvantages of all types and to produce ultimate perfection in that triumph of science—an insulated and ventilated gas oven, whose evenly distributed heat is controlled and stabilized by a reliable thermostat.

The principle of insulation has long been known and used in refrigeration, and just as a good refrigerator is built with double walls, packed with non-conducting material to keep in the cold, so this oven is built with non-conducting walls to keep in the heat. And since this heat is perfectly regulated by setting the small steel-pointed lever on the thermostat, an entire dinner of various foods may be cooked in the oven at once and left for a space of two, three, or five hours without the danger of over-cooking. This frees the housewife from the constant, wearying supervision that is necessary with the non-insulated oven.

Now absolute insulation, like absolute vacuum, is impossible of attainment, but in this oven it has been shown, after exhaustive and accurate tests a saving of one-third to one-half over all types of non-insulated ovens in the amount of gas necessary to maintain insulated heat. Tests also show very small variation in temperature taken at top and bottom of insulated oven during operation, thus insuring even baking; while in the non-insulated oven the variation in temperature between top and bottom is excessive and the baking uneven. The Home Economics department of the United States Bureau of Agriculture have made such tests and are urging the use of the insulated Magee Oven. They have issued figures to the effect that in a locality where gas is \$1.00 a thousand, a family of six, a dinner consisting of steak, escalloped potatoes, spinach, bread and rice pudding, cooked in an insulated oven will cost two cents. This same meal cooked in a non-insulated oven will cost four cents, since the Magee oven retains the heat.

We must now call attention to the feature of ventilation which is so important where there is no flue connection. It would not be possible in the ordinary oven to cook a variety of foods together without contamination of odor and flavor. In the new Magee oven, however, the combustion is so complete that all odorous gases are destroyed and there is positively no mixing of flavors, nor any fumes escaping into the room. Since the fine insulation prevents the heat also from escaping, it will readily be seen what a blessing this oven will be in hot weather. No more dread of lighting the range when the mercury soars. No fear that unpleasant odors of mixed cooking will cling about the garments or annoy the delicate sense of the fastidious guest. No steam to dampen walls or windows—just the cool comfort of an odorless room.

And now a word about the Robert Shaw Thermostat, or heat controller that is attached to this range. This is a small, cylindrical dial on the outer left side of the oven, convenient to the hand and having minutely printed upon its surface the words: "Moderate, hot, quick, very hot, broil." With these degrees, Fahrenheit. By moving the small steel point to the line opposite each indication, we set the heat of the oven at that intensity. The safety of the thermostat is insured by the presence of two pilot lights, a by-pass light, and an independent one.

A most helpful chart accompanies this Magee Insulated Oven and should be tacked to the wall over the range where it may be consulted at all times. On it will be found the excellent rules for the saving of gas or the burners. These rules are worked out of the experience of years, and though simple, are often neglected. On the chart will also be found directions for general care of the range. The oven itself, like the whole range, is of heavy enameled steel, is an enduring, smooth, easily-cleaned surface, forever free from the plague of rust and which may be kept sweet at all times with a damp cloth.

The beauty of this range is an unalloyed delight, the coveted possession of every woman whose daily task includes the preparation of food for a household. A staunch friend is the trusty little thermostat which, she knows, is standing sentinel over the use of excess gas and she is free to turn her busy hands to other duties, knowing well that when the dinner hour arrives and the hungry members of her flock gather to the table she will be able to serve a meal twice as well cooked and at one-half the cost of that meal cooked in any other oven; and she will serve it with the unruffled calm of one who has been relieved from the distressing heat of the old gas range. Her own energy, like that of the heart of the nation, will feel the impetus of released power and advance of practical science.

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AN OUTRAGEOUS AFFAIR

If the reports of what happened Tuesday night to a motor party en route from Newburyport to Portsmouth, N. H., be true, then the federal officers who figured in the affray committed an outrage that from every standpoint is inexcusable, and an unpardonable assault upon the liberties of unoffending citizens.

Two young men were driving their lady friends to attend a dance, when on a dark and lonely part of the highway, they were suddenly ordered to stop. Naturally they thought they were face to face with boldp men and instead of obeying the order, they put on full speed and soon were made the target for a fusillade of bullets as they sped before a pursuing auto. Of course, the shots fired tended to confirm their belief that they were being chased by gunmen. But their pursuers driving a fast motor car, soon caught up with them and cut in front of their auto, so that a collision resulted. The car occupied by the intending dancers turned turtle and was wrecked, the occupants suffering more or less serious injuries.

Who is responsible for the damages? Are law-abiding citizens to be subjected to such attacks on the public highways on the plea that the prohibition officers want to search a passing auto for liquor? If federal or other officers want to overhaul any auto party in such a case, they should first make their identity known. Since when has the law ordained that any party must halt on a public highway in response to a call out of the darkness and await the result, whether the call comes from gunmen or officers of the law? The parties hailed have no means of knowing the identity of those who demand them to halt; and hence for their own safety they are fully justified in speeding ahead. That particular case is a type of the unwarranted methods adopted by some of the officers who are engaged in the enforcement of the liquor law.

The occurrence of Tuesday night, shows that such methods are a menace to innocent parties. We have no sympathy with bootleggers, but the officers in trying to catch them must not endanger the lives of law-abiding citizens. Officers who would commit such an offense are violating the law quite as much as the bootleggers they are trying to suppress.

BEWARE OF XMAS HOCH

We are now face to face with the season for Christmas hooch. Unable to obtain real liquor to meet the demand, certain unscrupulous bootleggers are sure to get out some alcohol compound and offer it for sale to those who are foolish enough to purchase it, and worse still to risk their lives by drinking it.

We are informed that denatured alcohol which is specially treated to make it unfit for beverage purposes, is being used in compounding hooch for Christmas. The increased sale of this particular kind of alcohol can be explained in no other way.

This sale would certainly indicate great need of caution on the part of those who purchase hooch around the holidays. Already several deaths have resulted from the use of such stuff in Boston, and in New York, 20 deaths have already been reported as a result of drinking poisonous liquor. It is quite probable that some of the stuff will reach New England or that a connection equally poisonous may be made in Boston for general distribution.

For the last two years unscrupulous parties had no difficulty in selling a deadly compound of wood alcohol around the Christmas holidays. Not many, it is true, would resort to this extreme, as it means death for those who drink the stuff; but in view of the fact that already some very dangerous hooch is being sold here, it can only be said that those who drink it are taking very serious chances of getting into the hands of an undertaker. It is plain that the man who takes a drink of Christmas hooch is taking a serious risk of inhaling poison which may kill him in a few hours. Some of the victims already sent to Boston hospitals are said to be raving maniacs.

HONORING A DUCHESS

It does seem rather strange that the social set in New York should have tumbled over one another to honor the Grand Duchess Cyril, posing as "Czarina of all the Russias." She was in reality rendered the freedom of the city as she was welcomed at the best hotel and "royally" entertained without charge. The honoree paid her was not consistent with the spirit of Americanism and our opposition to "titled nobility." If this lady were really the czarina of all the Russias, this groveling at her feet would be contemptible; but much more so is it now that she is only a pretender living posing and, it might be said, "imposing" upon society gullibility under assumed titles to which she has no right, either by birth or heritage. But even if she were all she claims to be that would not justify the social honors paid her by the elite of society in New York. But perhaps she was used only as a drawing card by some of the hotels for their financial benefit. If Hoexter Hughes were alive, he might dress up some female impostor of the Bowers and have her passed off as the Grand Duchess of Moscow, direct descendant of Czar Marx and wife of the called Leon Trotsky to be fêted and lavishly entertained by the elite of society in New York.

MUSCLE SHOALS FIGHT

Senator Norris charges a secret understanding with the administration by which the Muscle Shoals plant is to be turned over to a great trust. We do not believe that either President Coolidge or Senator Underwood, the author of the bill under which the plant would be leased for private operation, would be a party to any such deal as Senator Norris insinuates was reached in a recent conference with the president about the Mayflower.

The fact is that there will be criticism, no matter how the Muscle Shoals plant is disposed of. The offer of Henry Ford was flouted until withdrawn, and now the plan to lease the plant under proper guarantees is equally condemned. Senator Norris has a bill before congress, providing for government ownership, and is naturally enraged because the measure is rejected while the Underwood bill is favored. He says if the plan now favored is adopted, it will make the Tenpot Home deal look like a pinhead. This statement was made in the heat of debate and should be taken cum grano salis. The country may well have a sigh of relief when the Muscle Shoals question is settled.

SEEN AND HEARD

It isn't always the able man who gets ahead. A fool may have a faster car.

The way it works out is this: The more time-saving devices a race accumulator, the less leisure.

Scientist says that in a hundred years there will be nothing in the world to laugh at. Won't there be any scientists?

"I have always found joy in hard work," says a steel manufacturer, who also receives an annual salary of \$150,000.

A Thought
Man believes himself always greater than he is, and is esteemed less than he is worth.—Goethe.

Using the Old Man
The New Hampshire department of motor vehicles accepted the "Old Man of the Mountain" for use on a (mobile) registration plates as a distinctive mark for New Hampshire motorists in the future.

Perfumed Subway
A perfumed subway will be the latest boast of Paris, according to a decision of the directors. Following hundreds of protests of bad air and disagreeable odors, the underground, has decided to install a hygienic apparatus in stations and cars, giving off a delicious fragrance.

Caught in the Act
A Cleveland, O., student now known as a landlady has a sweet tooth. He had a couple of live frogs in a securely closed, slightly perforated candy box which he intended to take to the biology laboratory, but forgot. When he returned for the frogs he found the box open and his landlady half under the bed trying to capture them.

Found a Witness
The American was drawing the long bow. "On one occasion," he said, "I shot 225 birds." The Englishman determined that he was outdone began to tell a story of a man who saw him shoot a story to New York. "Did you see him shoot?" inquired the American. "Why, yes, of course. I was coming across the water and our vessel passed him." "Well," was the reply, "I'm glad you saw him, stranger, because you're a witness that I did it. I was that swimmer!"

New Rescue Job
Early one morning John Flaherty was strolling on a stringpiece at Old City, New York, just getting the air. As he later explained when he thought he saw a man struggling in the water below. He promptly dived in and threw a line to him. Flaherty spluttered and protested that the policeman was interfering with a rescue. But after he had been rescued, he said that the "man" he sought to rescue was Flaherty's own shadow from a pier light.

No Grace Required
Mother was very careful indeed about the upbringing of her little son Tommy. Particularly careful was she about the matter of grace and she always made a point of keeping him up to the scratch in this respect. It was a difference to her rule even when they had lunch or tea at a restaurant, as happened a short time ago. After the waitress had served the tea, mother said to Tommy: "Now say grace, please, Tommy." Tommy looked up in surprise. "But, mamma," objected the small boy, "we're paying for this, aren't we?"

His Parting Shot
A minor actor was cast in a play in which he had to say in answer to a suggestion, "I have no doors." These four words were all he had to speak, the mystery of the Scottish accent was beyond the abilities of the cockney super-clever for the part. Nearly every artist in the piece, not to mention the author and the producer, tried coaching him; but all in vain, and at last the stage manager told him that he would have to find somebody else to say the line. Turning to his coat rack and making for the stage door, he fired a parting shot with an air of fine contempt. "I'm gone!" he said. "You want a starrylander for your 30 tobs a week!"

He Compromised
At country home fairs one can usually find the alleged collection of rubbish in the way of horseflesh imaginable. Nags of all shapes and sizes are displayed for sale, but to find a really good animal—well, that is almost impossible. At one of the fairs recently a buyer purchased from a dealer or three horses for the ridiculous sum of \$25. At the close of the deal the buyer, turning to the dealer, said: "What about a drink out of it?" The dealer, looking somewhat surprised, retorted sharply: "What? You get three horses for \$25 and you have the cheek to suggest a drink out of it? No, it can't be done. But I'll tell you what I will do—I'll throw in another horse!"

Love Can Make Lovely
Love can make lovely anything. The modest but a cat in the hall. For what is lovely, after all? It is that something that will bring Secret thoughts, that nothing can efface. Of some dear heart, of some dear place. How ever when no wandering. Think not alone of gift and glass. If you would build a lovely home; However fair or far the dome, Dear feet must come, long years must pass. Think not alone of gift and glass. For not of these a home is built. Though some build only those, alas. The architect has wisely planned. But only time can finish this. Your love must kindle the children's lives. And at the door old Death must stand. There must be sorrow, must be care, There must be much of laughter there. Homes are not built by human hand. Nay, homes are built out of years Of working, waiting, praying, for To build a home that home appears. Ah, what we are, not what we own. Makes beautiful each stone and beam. Cemented with our smiles and tears.

If mud and that are all you bring To build your home, do not care; For love can make a hut as fair As any palace of a king. It does not matter where we dwell; Where hearts are restless, there all is well. Love can make lovely anything. —DOUGLAS MALLOCH.

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CHRISTMAS TREE PARTY IN LYNN

The employees of Schmidt Bros. Silk Shops made merry at the annual Xmas tree party, last evening at the Lynn office. The party left Lowell at 6:30 o'clock by auto and journeyed to the Haverhill shop and from there to the Salem shop. After visiting the Salem shop the party went on to the Lynn office which was appropriately decorated for the gala occasion. A large Christmas tree was in the center of the floor, and an open fireplace was large enough to admit Santa Claus who was portrayed by Mr. Otto Schmidt, and the popular employee was loaded down with gifts and individual checks for every member of the "five busy silk shops." Mr. Harold Schmidt was one of the main attractions of the evening, and, dressed as a colored song and dance artist, he made a decided hit. Many novel gifts were distributed.

Dancing, songs, and music were part of the evening's entertainment and after a most delicious lunch the party broke up, but not before giving three rousing cheers and a rousing vote of thanks for the hospitality of the Schmidt Bros. and the Lynn office.

MAN ABOUT TOWN

Milk Inspector Melvin Master has a new job in the testing of liquors suspected of alcoholic strength. Greatly than allowed by the "Hazy Volstead" law. The work of inspecting milk demands that a man be both a police officer and chemist, so when the police inspector has more to do than sample and bring it up for testing. While Mr. Master has about as much as he can do testing milk and vinegar, he is not making time to test the liquor.

If we could pick a spot to spend the winter, no other place comes to mind with the possibility of Casper, Wyoming, that beautiful little town not far from moved from Cheyenne, where night before last the thermometer stood at "below zero." Casper was the coldest spot in the United States that night, weather bureau reports tell us. Can you imagine wintering in Casper? You would have almost knocked us into the snow last night. The temperature would be just naturally turn us into one of those Gage's best cakes. Casper for us—not.

Harry Ellis, golf professional at the Country club, tells me he is going to run his golf school again this winter in Massachusetts. Associated with him will be his brother, Alex Ellis, now the pro at the United Shoe club at Beverly, and formerly at Vesper and Mt. Pleasant. A chance to swing the wood and iron during the day of snow and ice will be grasped by many of the local golfers who would make the outdoor season 15 months long if possible.

Speaking of the gala day when the first train moved over the new double-track Nashua and Acton one-track railroad, via Westford, East Littleton and Dunstable, and the folks all along the line stood at the depot in formal attire, all dressed up in their best, men in tuxedos and women in evening gowns, a railroad man sends me the following clipping relating to a similar scene that occurred in Baltimore, Md., on July 31, 1923:

Baltimore Gazette: "We are gratified that the locomotive steam engine, 'The York,' constructed by the Baltimore and Annapolis, commenced operation under most favorable auspices at 7 o'clock yesterday. It started from Pratt street depot for Ellerslie Mills with a train of fourteen loaded cars, carrying a weight of 30 tons. It went off in fine style and was out of sight of the depot in six minutes. The rapid gliding of the train was one of the most imposing and beautiful spectacles we have ever seen."

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DEATH PENALTY FOR SLAYER OF 24

HANOVER, Germany, Dec. 19.—(By the Associated Press) Fritz Haarmann, the "wholesale murderer" whose trial for the slaying of 26 persons has stirred all Germany, was sentenced to death today.

The extreme penalty was also ordered in the case of his accomplice, Hans Grans.

Haarmann was found guilty of murdering 24 young men, the crimes extending over a period of six years. Grans was condemned for inciting murder in one case.

"I go to the decapitating block joyfully and happily," Haarmann declared to the court just before sentence was pronounced. Then he pleaded: "Don't send me to the insane asylum. I would rather not live."

Grans' attorney, in reviewing the history of the case, recanted the charge that such an affair was possible only in Germany, as obtained by some of the newspapers.

"A long chain of cases leads from Gilles de Retz, via Landru, and Leopold, to Haarmann," he asserted. The attorney pleaded Haarmann was a master mind in the series of murders and that Grans was but his tool, who did not know the real purpose of luring the young men to Haarmann's room.

The color of ultraviolet light will be changed to yellowish green by the dye fluorescein.

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THE ZOO

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TUCKIN' TIME

Tight o'clock and mother shouts, "It's time to go to bed." Two tiny little youngsters stop their play. This is the hour, though strange it may seem, that little people dread; the hour when night time takes the place of day.

There's quite a little fussing as the tots take off their clothes and have their hands and faces washed and dried. They kinda want to play a while, as any mother knows, so many little stalling stunts are tried.

"I want a drink of water," comes a shrilly little shout. And then complaints as Mom turns out the light. Right into bed the kiddies hop; and then they hop right out, contending that they were not kissed goodnight.

The story's always quite the same when tots are tucked in sound. They never really want to go to bed. They're always feeling playful when their tuckin' time comes round. And sleep? Why shucks, they'd rather play instead.

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NEW SENATORS

Here A. Means (above) of Colorado and Jesse H. M. (below) of Rhode Island, are two of the new senators now on the job in Washington.

CUTTER DID NOT VISIT CHUKOTSH PENINSULA

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 19.—The United States coast guard Bear did not even visit the Chukotsh peninsula in Siberia during its cruise in 1920 and so of course did not affix a brass plate to a rock there as alleged by Tchitcherine, soviet foreign minister in his note to Secretary Hughes, according to Gilbert R. Nunn of this city. Nunn claims he was acting quartermaster on the Bear in 1920 and that the only place in Siberia touched by the cutter was Adulir. The Bear, he says, was never near Emma Bay, Cape Puzos.

THREE MEN HELD IN \$107,000 ROBBERY

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Joseph A. Stephens, of this city, charged with acting in concert with three other men in robbing a Philadelphia store of \$107,000 in jewelry a week ago, was arrested here early today by local and Philadelphia detectives. Three men are now under arrest in connection with the robbery and will be given hearings Dec. 22. They are Michael Flynn, Herman Gross and John Fencelka of New York.

ARMY LIGHTER DAMAGED
NEW LONDON, Conn., Dec. 19.—The army wrecking lighter 1-170 attached to the army quartermaster's department here, is now hauled out for repairs at the Thames shipyard, after being floated by the wrecking tug Cominsco at Gull Island, where she grounded in a blow last Sunday. Nearly a score of planks on her bottom have been stove in by pounding on the rocks and some of the bulkheads were damaged. The vessel will be thoroughly recalculated.

WAS FINED \$50
Paul Lagasse was fined \$50 in district court this morning for allowing his automobile to be operated after his certificate of registration had been revoked. Drunkenness charge was filed. Lagasse was arrested Wednesday night by Patrolman James Burns at Middlesex and Westford streets. He was arraigned in district court yesterday and pleaded not guilty to both charges. He claimed he was not notified of the revocation of his registration.

CITY WATER SUPPLY
A meeting of the board of engineers conducting a survey of the city's water supply and distribution system was held this morning in the city engineer's office. The three members of the board, Arthur T. Safford, Robert J. Thomas and Stephen Kearney, were present. The board is collecting data and maps concerning the water system and reports that considerable progress is being made in the survey.

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14 NUNS ESCAPE WHEN FIRE SWEEPS CONVENT

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—Fourteen nuns were forced to leave when fire swept St. Philomena's convent, in Lansdowne, a suburb, last night, causing damage estimated at \$5000. The Rev. Francis J. Markee, rector of St. Philomena's church, made his way through the smoke and flames to the chapel, gathered up the sacred vessels and carried them out.

Six Deaths Due to Storm and Cold in Middle West

Causes attributed to the cold and attendant ice and snow. Thousands of deer north of the Grand Canyon in Arizona which refused to be herded to greener pastures on the south side of the canyon, were reported perishing as vegetation failed. The extreme cold in Montana, where the mercury dropped as low as 34 below zero at Miles City, caused the derailment of three pullmans of a Northern Pacific train near Bear Mouth, 35 miles from Missoula, due to a broken

rail. No injuries resulted, reports said. Wire communication in the plains states was most affected. More than 2000 telephones and telegraph poles were reported down in Oklahoma. Companies reported about 125 towns were cut off. Telegraph communication was badly handicapped in Illinois as lowering temperatures heralded the zero blasts moving eastward. Springfield, Bloomington and Jacksonville were cut off from the outside world by wire.

Sleet Storms Cause Damage
NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Sleet storms in the Ohio valley states seriously impaired wire communication between New York and Chicago today. Tele-

phone and telegraph lines, including those used by press associations and brokers, suffered severely from the storms, which have been prevalent over the district for the last two days. Cold Wave Coming
WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Freezing temperatures probably as far south as central Florida by Monday was predicted today by the weather bureau. Decidedly colder weather will over- spread the lower lake region, the Ohio valley, Tennessee and the east golf states tonight, Saturday and Sunday night and the Atlantic states, including Florida, Saturday night and Sunday.

fluence of cold weather for several days, and have issued cold wave warnings for Ohio and Western Pennsylvania and for all states from there southward to the east gulf coast. Rain is predicted almost generally in the eastern seaboard states within the next 24 hours, probably changing to snow except in portions of the South Atlantic states, along the east gulf coast.

CHRISTMAS TREE CELEBRATION
A Christmas tree celebration by the children of the Kenwood Sunday school class of St. Michael's church was held this morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rhombert in Kenwood. Suitable presents were distributed.

COMMUNIST LEADER KILLS HIMSELF

SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec. 19.—(By the Associated Press) Luis Recabarren, communist leader and former deputy, shot and killed himself today. He left a statement saying it was useless to struggle and that he was unable to carry on.


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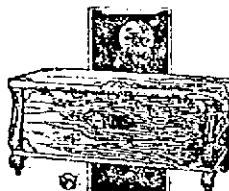
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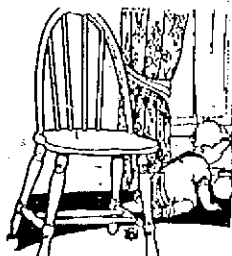


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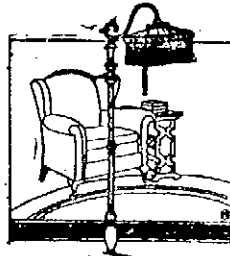


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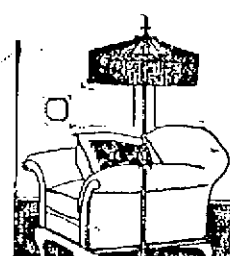
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\$27.00 value	\$19.49



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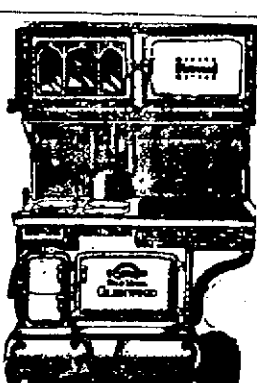
\$25.00 value	\$16.49
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\$21.00 value	\$16.49
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\$60.00 value	\$35.00
\$33.50 value	\$19.49
\$28.00 value	\$19.49
\$60.00 value	\$25.00



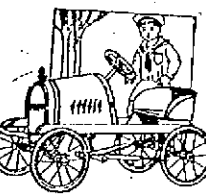
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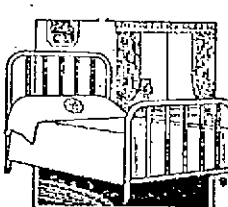
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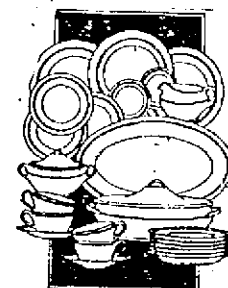
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School Programs

Continued
 Song, "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"
 Class
 Recitation, "God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen"
 Katherine Riley, Marjorie Parker, Florence Rawling, Blanche Pelland, Victoria Paulsen, William Orr, Robert Patterson, Henry Murphy, Robert Preston, Mildred Perry
 Piano Solo, "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"
 School Orchestra
 Recitation, "Just 'Fore Christmas"
 Ruth Bliss
 Song, "Silent Night"
 Class
 Violin Solo, "O Sole Mio"
 Kathryn Haley
 Accompanist, Mary Hurlstorn
 Recitation, "The Gift of the Kind Heart"
 Louise Dunn
 Piano Solo, "Birds in the Forest"
 Katherine Walsh
 Song, "O Come, All Ye Faithful"
 Class
 School Orchestra

VALENTINE SCHOOL

Selection,
 Singing, Hark, the Herald Angels Sing
 School
 Recitation, Why Do Bells of Christmas Ring?
 Esther Laid
 Carol, Bethlehem's Star
 Room 1
 Dialogue, A Soliloquy Person
 Louise Wynan and Marjorie Butterfield
 Recitation, "The Shillee"
 Stella Krystyzyński
 Carol, Silent Night
 Rooms 5 and 10
 Recitation, "Just 'Fore Christmas"
 Donald Stanley
 Carol, God Rest You, Merry Gentlemen
 Rooms 1 and 15
 Recitation, "Grandma's Cake"
 Paul Caten and Edward Neville
 Carol, "Three Kings of the Orient"
 Rooms 11 and 17
 Carol, On Christmas Eve
 Room 16
 Recitation, Santa Claus
 Emma Muggant
 Carol, Adagio Fideles
 Rooms 13 and 8
 Recitation, Christmas Bells
 Charles Griffiths
 Christmas Folk Song
 French Class of Grade 8
 Carol, It Came Upon the Midnight Clear
 School
 Carol, I Saw Three Ships
 Rooms 10 and 12
 Recitation, The Song, the Star and the Story
 Blanche Pelczar, Blanche Olszanski, Mildred Johnston
 Carol, The First Noel
 Rooms 14 and 15
 Carol, O Little Town of Bethlehem
 Rooms 1, 3 and 9
 Carol, Joy to the World
 School
 Musical selection, Cornet, Sylvester Barbera, Clarinet, Donald Martin, violin, Felix Krystyzyński, piano, Wallace Gray.

PAWTUCKET SCHOOL

Piano selection,
 Edna Robillard
 Carol, It Came Upon the Midnight Clear
 School
 Recitation, Tale of John Henry Paul Brown
 John Hamblett
 Violin solo, Onward, Christian Soldiers
 Richard Jack
 Recitation, Merry Christmas
 School
 Piano solo, Adagio Calop
 George Holmes
 Recitation, The Little Christmas Tree
 Catherine Saponatuk
 Piano solo, The Black Hawk Waltz
 Alcide Morin
 Recitation, A Christmas Carol
 Madeline McCarthy
 Carol, Hark! the Herald Angels Sing
 School
 Violin solo, Adagio Fideles
 Dorothy Ryan
 Recitation, O Little Town of Bethlehem
 Beatrice Andrew
 Violin solo, An Old Love Tale
 Winslow Curtis
 Recitation, Christmas Has Come
 Victor Lafertiere
 Piano solo, Blue White March
 Lawrence Davis
 Recitation, Story of Christmas
 Iola Hopkins, Mary Donoghue
 Veronica Brown
 Carol, O Come All Ye Faithful
 School
 Recitation, A Ten Cent Christmas
 Eva Marchand
 Piano selection, The Betrothal March
 Anna McElrath
 Dance
 Mary Cosgrove
 Piano selection, The Rocky Brooklet
 Margaret Dussault
 Carol, Silent Night
 School

ABRAHAM LINCOLN SCHOOL

"The Toys Rebellion," a prize play from the Ladies' Home Journal, was given as the Xmas entertainment in the school hall, last night, before a large audience of parents and friends. The play itself was amplified by specialty numbers and choruses, the whole affording a delightful evening. The 50 costumed children made a colorful spectacle on the elaborately-decked stage. The hall was decorated throughout with Xmas greenery and trimmings.
 The committee in charge, Miss L. E. Moran, chairman, Miss M. M. Kelly and Miss A. C. Gray, received general congratulations on the striking result of their untiring efforts. All work in connection with the play was in their hands, and the result was a splendid testimony of their ability along dramatic lines.
 The cast:
 Characters: Mr. Noah, Edward Hartley; Tin Soldier, James Finn; Sailor, Chesar Chasson; Jumping Jack, Sam Gerson; Dinah, Eleanor Gagnon; First French Doll, Alice Comer; Second French Doll, Edith Comer; Wax Doll, Madeline De Barge; Rag Doll, Ruth Blum; Walking Doll, Helen Kotzen; Sewing Book Fairies, Rosemarie Caruffi and Marcelle Whaley; Kris Kringle, Irving Ream.
 "The Toys": Dorothy Miller, Gladys McCoy, Lillian Bass, Helen Durkin, Goldie Perles, Bruce and Wallace Thompson, Francis Burns, Albert Lincoln, Francis Gleason.
 "The Children": Miriam Abrams, Kathleen Mellen, Eva Oken, Helen Brown, Rita Maguire, Josephine Doran, Ellis Hale, Harold Peters, Joseph Woodbury, Albert Snodden, Matthew Kotzen, David Gilbert.
 Specialty Dances: Tin Soldier, Alice Sullivan; Minuet, Georgia Mello and Gladys Cohen; First Doll Dance, Eleanor Gagnon; Christmas Dance, Rose Marie Caruffi, Marcelle Whaley; Wax Doll Dance, Ruth Blum; French Doll Dance, Edith Comer, Alice Comer; Balleting Doll Dance, Goldie Perles.
 Overture, Faustina Hall.

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Overcoat 20%
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STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Stock prices displayed a strong tone at the opening of today's market with trading again in large volume. Lackawanna and American Locomotive each opened a point higher at new peak prices and Baldwin Crucible Steel and Universal Carriage each advanced 1 to 1½ points. The first sale of Studebaker was in a block of 1500 shares at the opening price of 41½—½, the top figure due to the year's high. American Carriage and Foundry Co. was in the first few minutes of yesterday's session opened 1½ points lower. A sensational jump of 8¼ points to 100 by United States Steel from 91½ was the feature of the early trading. The buying movement broadened in the session progressed. Gen. Electric, Baldwin, Universal Pipe common and preferred and National Lead selling at 3 points above yesterday's high prices while among the score of stocks to advance a point or more were Sears-Roebuck, Radio Corporation, Iron Products, Southern Pacific, General American Water Works, Mack Trucks, United States Steel and Texas Gulf Sulphur. American Car recovered its early loss and then moved up to a new top at 162. Oil prices broke downward with the buying of the Pan-American issues in anticipation of an increase in dividend next year as the feature. Foreign exchange opened steady, gold standard sterling advancing 1 cent to \$4.70½.

Money Market. NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Foreign exchange firm; Great Britain demand, 470 9-16; cables, 470 13-16; 30-day bills on banks, 467 13-16; France demand, 529 5-16; cables, 529 1-16; Italy demand, 325 3-16; cables, 325 1-16; Belgium demand, 499 1-16; cables, 499 1-16; Germany demand, 23 1-16; Holland, 10 3-4; Norway demand, 15 1-16; Sweden demand, 16 3-4; Denmark demand, 17 1-16; Switzerland demand, 15 1-16; Spain demand, 13 1-16; Greece demand, 12 1-16; Poland demand, 19 1-16; Czechoslovakia demand, 30 1-16; Yugoslavia demand, 14 1-16; Austria demand, 10 1-16; Rumania demand, 13 1-16; Argentina demand, 33 1-16; Brazil demand, 11 1-16; Tokyo demand, 33 1-16; Montreal, 22 1-16.

Cotton Market. NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Cotton futures opened steady; December 35.50; January 35.50; March 34.00; May 31.45; July 21.00.

NEW YORK MARKET

	High	Low	Close
Allyl Chloride	12 1/2	12 1/2	73
Am. Beet Sugar	16 1/2	16 1/2	13
Am. Can	163 1/2	163 1/2	101 1/2
Am. Car & F.	183 1/2	182 1/2	133 1/2
Am. H. & L. pt.	93 1/2	93 1/2	63
Am. Locomotive	105 1/2	105 1/2	96 1/2
do pt.	120 1/2	120 1/2	120 1/2
Am. Smelt	31 1/2	31 1/2	91 1/2
Am. Sugar	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2
Am. Sulphur	11 1/2	11 1/2	13 1/2
Am. T. & T.	133 1/2	131 1/2	131 1/2
Am. Wool	60 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2
do pt.	60 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2
Anacosta	12 1/2	12 1/2	92 1/2
Alch.	120 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2
Alch. Gnl.	21 1/2	20 1/2	21 1/2
Baldwin	122 1/2	120 1/2	121 1/2
H. & O.	82 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2
Both Steel	49 1/2	48 1/2	49 1/2
U. R. T.	37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2

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Cent. Le.	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Ches. & O.	60 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2
C. & N. W.	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
C. O. P.	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2
C. R. I.	47 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2
Col. & E.	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2
Col. Fuel	45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2
Con. Gas	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2
C. N. S.	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2
Cuba Can.	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
Del. & Hud.	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2
do pt.	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2
do pt.	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2
Gen. Motors	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2
Granby	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2
GT N. P.	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2
GT N. P. etc.	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2
Ill. Cen.	116 1/2	116 1/2	116 1/2
Int. Mer. Mar.	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2
do pt.	65 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2
Ken. Pac.	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2
K. C. P.	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2
do pt.	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2
Lehigh Val.	81 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2
Ill. & N. H.	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2
Mass. P.	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2
Midvale	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2
Mo. Pac.	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2
N. J. P.	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2
Nevada	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2
N. Y. Air R.	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2
N. Y. C.	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2
N. Y. & N. H.	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2
Nor. & West.	127 1/2	127 1/2	127 1/2
No. Pac.	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2
Ont. & West.	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2
Pan. Am.	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2
Penn.	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2
Pere Marquette	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2
Pitt. Cen.	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2
P. W. V.	69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2
Pullman	140 1/2	141 1/2	141 1/2
Pure Oil	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
R. C. P.	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2
R. I. & N. H.	132 1/2	132 1/2	132 1/2
Reading	78 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2
Rep. & S.	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2
Royal Ind.	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2
S. & W.	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2
Shelby Oil	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2
Slack	81 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2
So. Pac.	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2
St. Paul	78 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2
do pt.	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2
Stewart	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2
Stude.	45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2
Union Pac.	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2
Tex. Pac.	47 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2
U. P.	151 1/2	151 1/2	151 1/2
U. S. A.	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2
U. S. R.	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2
do pt.	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2
U. S. Steel	121 1/2	121 1/2	121 1/2
U. S. Steel	111 1/2	111 1/2	111 1/2
U. S. Cop.	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2
Wab.	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2

BOSTON MARKET

	High	Low	Close
Amoskeag	13 1/2	13 1/2	73
Am. Pac.	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2
Am. Wool pfd	90 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2
Arcturian	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
Ariz. Com.	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Bos. & Alb.	158 1/2	158 1/2	158 1/2
Bos. & Me.	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2
Bos. & Me. B.	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2
Cal. & Ariz.	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2
Cal. & Hec.	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2
Carson Hill	70 1/2	70 1/2	70 1/2
Cop. Range	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2
E. Butte	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2
Edison S. S.	52 1/2	52 1/2	52 1/2
East Mfg.	194 1/2	194 1/2	194 1/2
Int. Cement	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2
Int. Coal	131 1/2	131 1/2	131 1/2
Isle Roy	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2
Mines Gay	71 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2
do pt.	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2
Mayflower	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2
Nat. Lanthier	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2
New Cornelia	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
N. J. Tel.	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2
Nipissing	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2
Old Butte	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
Old Dom.	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
Orpheum	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2
Quincy	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
Shannon	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2
St. Mary	37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2
Swift & Co.	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2
Swift Int.	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2
U. Apex	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2
U. S. M.	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2
U. S. Steel	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2
do pt.	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2
Ventura	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2
Winona	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2

ENTIRE COAST FLEET TO HUNT RUM-RUNNERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The full force of the new coast guard fleet will be thrown against rum-runners next July 1, Rear Admiral Bullard of the coast guard advised a house appropriation sub-committee, the record of whose hearings was made public today.

The rum fleet off New York and Boston Admiral Bullard said, is still there in varying strength and "there has been little, if any, reduction in the amount of liquor smuggling by rum-runners," he said.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES DRIVER OF CAR HELD FOR MANSLAUGHTER

BRIDGEPORT, Conn.—Laura E. Robble, of this city, was granted a second divorce from John St. Robble of New York today, by Judge John H. Booth in superior court here after two 12-year terms of married life. Both decrees were granted on the grounds of cruelty.

WASHINGTON—Congressman Gifford, republican, Massachusetts, today was placed on the house merchant marine committee, replacing Congressman Leach, republican, of Massachusetts, who is transferred to Congress.

man Gifford's place on the coinage, weights and measures committee.

TOKIO—The foreign office tonight issued a communique denying the newspaper version of Premier Kato's speech of last night at a political dinner.

WASHINGTON—The fight of Representative Laguardia, republican, to retain his seat as a member of the house of representatives, which investigated election charges filed by Henry Frank, his democratic opponent, in 1922.

NEW YORK—Proposed changes in football rules will be discussed for basis of recommendation to the rules committee by the Eastern Association of Intercollegiate football officials at their annual meeting here Dec. 27, according to announcement today by Eli Thorpe, secretary-treasurer.

WASHINGTON—Leigh C. Palmer, president of the Emergency Fleet corporation, was called again today for further questioning by the house committee investigating the Shipping board and its subsidiaries.

OVERNIGHT FLASHES BY ASSOCIATED PRESS

Rome dispatch announces general mobilization of Albanian forces, while later cable from Belgrade reports that Premier Fan Noli of Albania had fled, indicating that instruments have forced out government.

House approves maintenance of navy at its present strength of 35,000.

Japanese government declined "with thanks" offer of United States to send American fleet to Yokohama in 1925.

FALL INJURIES RECORDED TODAY

Mrs. Anna Roughan, 31 Berkeley avenue, fell on a slippery sidewalk in Rea street at about 5.30 o'clock this morning, sustaining leg injuries. She was taken to St. John's hospital in the ambulance, but after examination was allowed to go home.

Laura Martel, employed at the Lawrence Mfg. Co., fell in the mill shortly before 7.45 o'clock this morning. She was taken in the ambulance to the Lowell Corporation hospital to be treated for arm injuries.

ROAD WILL PASS INTO NEW OWNERSHIP

Announcement is made that, beginning with the new year, the Massachusetts Northeastern Street Railway Co., which formerly maintained a passenger service line from Lowell to Potham, N. H., and Canobie Lake park, will pass into new ownership, purchase by the Associated Gas & Utilities Co. of New York being just recorded.

The new corporation, it is stated, will pay \$22 for preferred stock in the old company and \$3 for the common stock. The plans of the purchasing syndicate have not been announced.

Real Bargains

JOHN C. FARRINGTON BUYS CORWIN HOME

John C. Farrington of the Middlesex Machine Co. has purchased for occupancy the Harry J. Corwin house in Holyrood avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Farrington at present are living in the Taylor house in Clark road, which they secured temporarily at the time of their recent marriage.

The Corwin residence in Holyrood avenue is situated about midway between Laurel and Hovey streets and commands a beautiful view of the country which stretches away to the south in the direction of North Tewksbury.

The sale was consummated through the agency of Hyam Bros.

PRES. WELLS DEAD

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 19.—Henry I. Wells, emeritus professor of chemistry at Yale University, died today after a short illness. He retired from active duties in June, 1923, to remove any misgivings of Japanese people, Premier Kato states in banquet speech at Tokio.

Death of Representative Julius H. Kahn of California makes vacant chairmanship of house military affairs committee which will probably be filled by Representative Morin of Pennsylvania.

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MRS. SWEETIN TESTIFIES HIGHT WAS AN ANNOYANCE TO HER

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MOUNT VERNON, Ill., Dec. 19.—Attorney Nelson Layman, defense counsel for Lawrence M. Hight, who is on trial with Mrs. Elsie Sweetin for the murder by poison of Mrs. Anna Hight and Wilford Sweetin, was ready today to present physicians to testify in defense of his client, Mrs. Sweetin, the principal witness yesterday, denied that Hight had suggested that she poison her husband and declared the confession in which she admitted the crime, was untrue.

"I did not give Wilford poison, Hight did not give me any poison," she testified. "Time and again she insisted that she was innocent. Referring to her confession she said: 'I was weak; sick and nervous. There I was in jail—a sick woman.' Before she met Hight, her story went, she had led a life untroubled by scandal or turbulence. Wilford, she said, introduced her to the preacher at a revival meeting last December.

The witness said she had first noticed his affection for her last spring when the family had moved to Inn, and her husband had come to work in the coal mines at Masson, Ill.

"Hight first came to my home for milk," she related. "Finally he began to make love. I would have told daddy about it, but I was afraid."

"Of course trouble in my home and of public opinion," she replied.

Mrs. Sweetin said that Hight was an annoyance to her, that she never had given him any signs of sincere affection and had never entered into an understanding with him to dispose of their mates.

Hight sat apparently undisturbed by this testimony.

Old practitioners believed that the flesh of the lark strengthened the human voice and increased its sweetness.

TESTING THE ALCOHOLIC CONTENT OF BEER

A modern and convenient device for testing the alcoholic content of beer, known as an "Ebulliometer," is to be added to the equipment of the local liquor squad in the near future. The instrument is designed to complete a test in a half hour's time.

Ebulliometers are used by liquor agents in all the larger cities. It will greatly expedite the work of the local squad, for in the absence of such an instrument, beer seized by agents must be shipped to the state chemist in Boston for analysis. In the past, a week or ten days has elapsed before the result was made known.

With the adoption of the "baby" Volstead law, all beer seized in transit or otherwise must first be proven to contain more than one-half of one percent alcohol before an arrest warrant can be sworn out. The ebulliometer will do the job within half an hour.

An altitude one-quarter of an inch by one-half an inch in dimensions is owned by an opera singer of Elberfeld, Germany.

Sunday Island in the Pacific, rising 2000 feet out of five miles of water, really is the tallest mountain in the world.

Says Two New Wards Needed To Evenly Distribute Votes

Continued
Lard called attention to the present uneven distribution of the voting strength. Ward 2 at the present time has the smallest registration, of any with a total of 1874, while ward 8 has the largest registration with 6086. In carrying on the work of redistricting, Mr. Allard voices the opinion that the registration of wards should be more evenly distributed.

Meetings of the board were held yesterday forenoon and afternoon, and again this morning and afternoon and were strictly private.

The last redistricting of the city was done in 1906, and a comparison of the city's voting strength in 1905, just prior to the redistricting, and this year, furnishes interesting figures, which are as follows:

Ward	1905	1924
1	1221	3023
2	1043	1874
3	1301	4783
4	1635	2563
5	1341	2376
6	1905	4218
7	2275	5015
8	2306	6086
9	2001	6251

The greatest proportional increase in the period 1905 to 1924 are found in wards 1, 3 and 8, where the voting strength almost tripled. The smallest increases were in wards 2, 4 and 5.

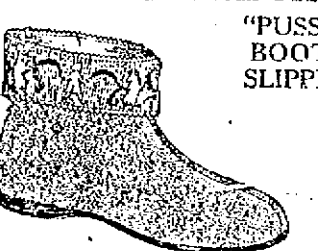
THE DANNSONS
The Dannsonias are continuing a series of dancing parties Saturday evenings in Colonial hall, with Leo Dannson's Syncopaters furnishing up to date music. A special Christmas party will be held tomorrow night, with novelties and favors for all. Attractive hall decorations will accentuate the spirit of the season. The admission is 40 cents for women and 50 cents for men.

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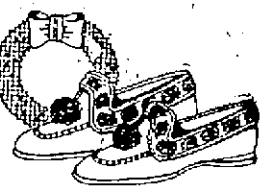
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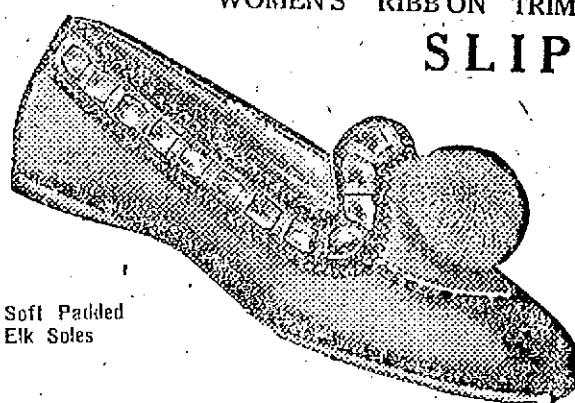
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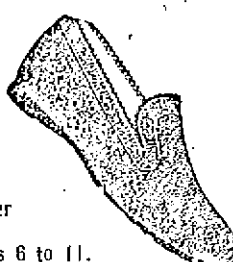
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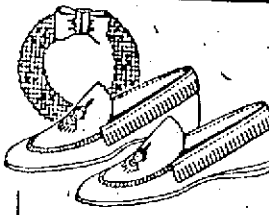
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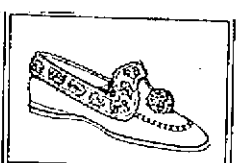
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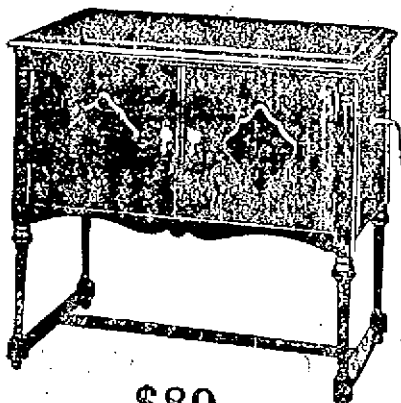
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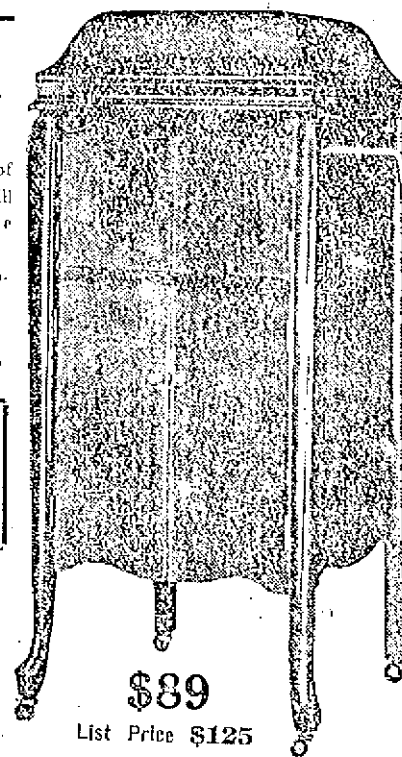
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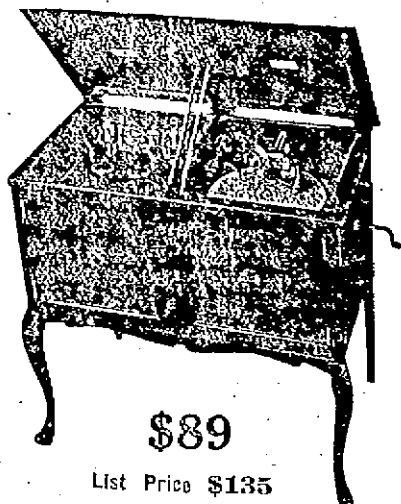
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Whenever possible use the so-called "winter vegetables" rather than canned summer vegetables. The root vegetables are rich in mineral salts and add bulk to a diet heavy with fat and protein.

Mock filet mignon is nothing more nor less than round steak, ground, seasoned and made into little flat cakes bound with a strip of bacon fastened with toothpicks. The patties are broiled just like real filet and are an excellent cheap substitute for the real thing.

Peanut Butter Soup
Four tablespoons peanut butter, 4 cups milk, ½ teaspoon salt.
Heat milk and use several spoonfuls to thin the peanut butter. When

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Turnips au Gratin
Four cups boiled sliced turnips, 2 cups milk, 3 tablespoons butter, 3 tablespoons flour, ½ teaspoon salt, ½ teaspoon pepper, 1-3 cup coarse stale bread crumbs, 4 tablespoons grated cheese.

Put turnips into a buttered baking dish. Melt butter, stir in flour and when smooth and perfectly blended slowly stir in milk. Season with salt and pepper and cook until thick and smooth. Pour over turnips in baking dish, sprinkle with crumbs, dot with bits of butter and cover with grated cheese. Bake in a hot oven until the cheese is melted and the crumbs are brown. Fifteen minutes should do the trick. Serve very hot in the dish used for baking.

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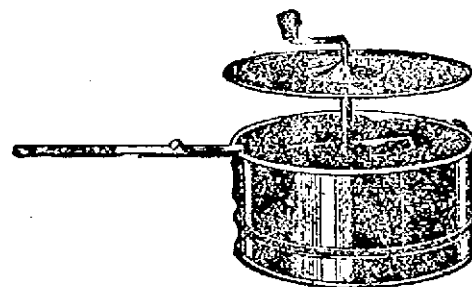
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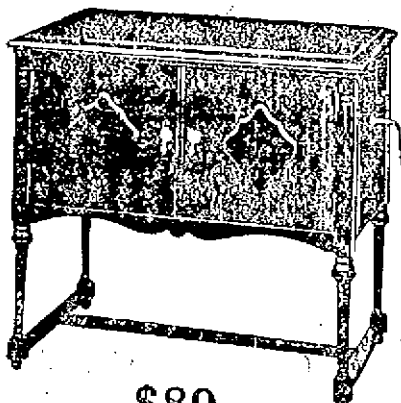
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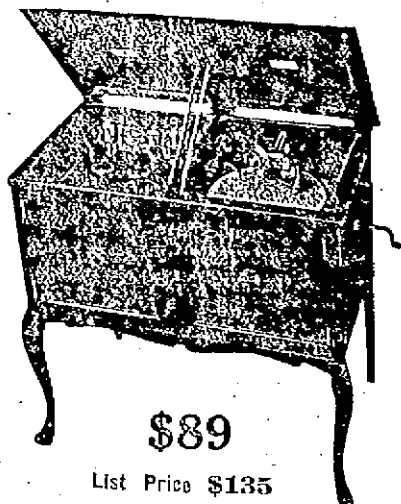
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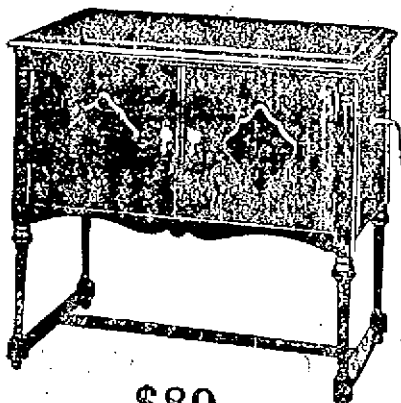
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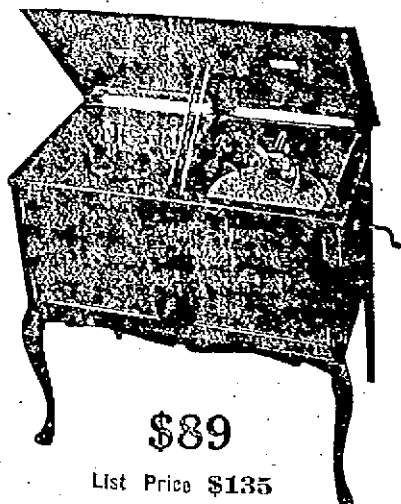
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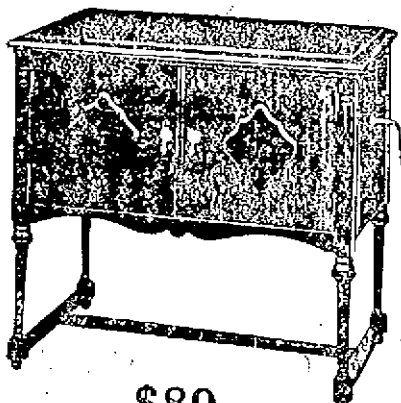
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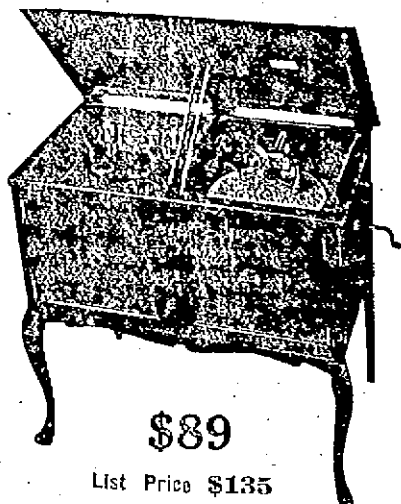
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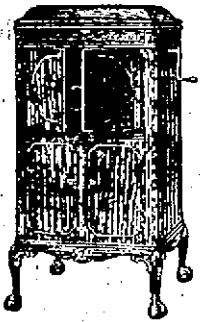


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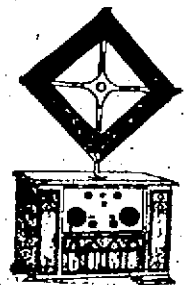
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Silk Shirts	\$5.00 to \$10.00	Suede Leather Jackets	\$15.00
Bathrobes	\$6.00 to \$25.00	Wool Vests	\$4.00 to \$10.00
Lounging Robes	\$12.00 to \$40.00	Silk and Wool Hose .....	.75c to \$2.00
Shakerknit Sweaters	\$7.50 to \$15.00	Plaid Hose	\$1.00 to \$2.00
Travelo Jackets	\$8.00	Sheep Lined Coats	\$12.50 to \$18.00
Blue Ribbon Jackets	\$7.50	Black Jackets	\$5.50
Golf Hose	\$1.50 to \$5.00	Tuxedos and Dress Suits	\$45.00 to \$75.00
Pullover Sets	\$7.50 to \$14.00	Raincoats and Gabardines	\$12.50 to \$25.00
Silk Neckwear	\$1.00 to \$5.00	Business Suits	\$25.00 to \$60.00
Silk Knit Ties	\$1.00 to \$3.50	Dress Shirts	\$3.00 to \$5.00
Hickok Belts .....	.50 to \$3.00	Fur Caps	\$5.00
Hickok Buckles .....	.50 to \$5.00	Velour Hats	\$5.00 to \$12.00
Beltograms	\$1.00 to \$5.00	Stetson Hats	\$7.00
Emblem Buckles	\$2.50	Mallory Hats	\$5.00
Linen Handkerchiefs .....	.25 to .75	Golf Caps	\$1.50 to \$2.50
Silk Handkerchiefs .....	.50 to \$2.00	Umbrellas	\$2.00 to \$10.00
Gloves, Lined or Unlined	\$2.50 to \$5.00	Walking Sticks	\$3.00 to \$6.00
Auto Driving Gloves	\$3.00 to \$12.00	Ladies' Umbrellas	\$4.00 to \$10.00
Fibre Silk Mufflers	\$2.00 to \$5.00		

Sensible Gifts for a Boy

Overcoats, 3 to 8 years	\$8.50 to \$15.00	Hickok Belts50
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Novelty Juvenile Suits	\$8.50	Angora Sweaters, 12 to 16 years	\$6.00
Boys' Knit Vests	\$3.45	Zipon Leggings	\$4.98 to \$5.45
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Fireman Suits	\$3.00	Boys' Umbrellas	\$1.00 to \$2.00
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STERLING BILL WILL BE DEBATED

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Creation of a
federal department of education, with
federal aid to states for education, as
provided by the Sterling bill in con-
gress will be debated at the eleventh
annual meeting of the Association of
American colleges and Allied agencies
at Chicago, Jan. 6 to 10. It was an-
nounced today.

LAWRENCE FAMILY DRIVEN OUT BY FIRE

LAWRENCE, Dec. 19.—Fire in a
house, 8 Lexington street, about 4.50
this morning badly damaged the struc-
ture and drove Mrs. Anna McNulty
and her six children to the street in
scanty attire. Ice coated streets made
it difficult for the fire department to
reach the scene. The fire was probably
caused by an overheated chimney.

FUND BENEFIT DANCE AT THE COMMODORE

A dance for the benefit of the
Christmas tree fund of the Broadway
Social and Athletic association will
be held in the Commodore ballroom
this evening. Last night, a meeting of
the committee in charge of the an-
nual Christmas celebration was held.
Chairman James Neeson presided and
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HUNT SLAYERS OF TROOPER

BOUND BROOK, N. J., Dec. 19.—State troopers today are searching for armed men who escaped in a red touring car after killing State Trooper Robert Coyle near here yesterday, when they attempted to steal the \$6000 payroll of the Bound Brook Crushed Stone Co. at Chalmers Rock were frustrated by Troopers Coyle and John Gregorovich.

Trooper Coyle was shot and killed as he and Gregorovich were driving back to their headquarters at Pluckemin, N. J., after accompanying Chas. B. Higgins, manager of the Stone company, from a bank here to the quarry with the money.

Coyle had arrested one of the men and was leading him to his car when three others fired from ambush at the side of the road. At the same instant the man under arrest drew a revolver and shot Trooper Coyle through the mouth. The quartet then disarmed Trooper Gregorovich and fled in the red automobile which had been parked around a bend in the road.

BOILER EXPLOSION WRECKS FACTORY

WOLFBORO, N. H., Dec. 19.—The explosion of a steam boiler demolished the two-story wooden laundry building of Harry E. Libby here today shortly before employees arrived for the day's work. The building was unoccupied and no one hurt.

The boiler, measuring 16 feet in length, was blown about an eighth of a mile and landed on top of an abandoned sawmill. Two automobiles in a wing of the laundry used as a garage, were smashed to bits and, on the site of the building only splinters and fragments of metal were to be seen. The laundry was insured for \$3000. The actual loss was not ascertained.

ARRAIGNED ON LIQUOR CHARGES
Angelo Bergratti and John Ryan of West Newbury were arraigned before U. S. Commissioner H. B. Walsh here today on charges of illegal possession and sale. After a lengthy hearing the commissioner reserved his decision.

CELLMATES COME TO BLOWS OVER PUZZLE

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 19.—A four letter word meaning "a place of punishment," suggested "cell" to Michael Flood, arrested on a charge of drunkenness, but to Michael Grapp, his cellmate, the last three letters were all right, but the first one was wrong. They fought about it in their cell last night and today Flood was sentenced to 30 days in the work house, or a \$10 fine for striking his companion. Both were arrested yesterday and had hit upon the cross-word puzzle as a way to pass the hours in county jail.

GUESTS ENTERTAINED BY MR. AND MRS. BASS

One of the most enjoyable, social events of the Christmas-tide took place last evening, when Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bass entertained at their beautiful home, 31 Smith street, all of the employees of the United Cloak and Suit store, the Rialto Cloak and Suit store, and the ladies' department of the Chalfoux store.

The popular host and hostess provided a delightful series of surprises for their many happy guests, who fairly filled the spacious residence during the evening. More than 100 young men and women were present to partake of the cordiality and entertainment provided for one and all in the course of the evening's festivities.

The reception rooms were handsomely decorated with tokens of Yuletide, many favors being placed in effective displays, creating a beautiful and picturesque picture.

First greetings to the welcoming hosts were followed by entertainment consisting of rare excellence. Amateur entertainers predominated in the program that provided a delightful addition to the evening's enjoyable gathering. Vocal and instrumental music, readings and other varied entertainment features made the evening a merry one.

Among the entertainers who received much praise for excellent offerings were Miss Harriet Mansur, Miss Lorraine Leitch, Miss Marion Boyle, Miss Wareau, Mrs. Harrigan, Miss Ruth Bass, Miss Lillian Kelly and Mrs. Brigham. During the evening, there was also dancing to the music of a famous orchestra. A delightful buffet luncheon, with Yuletide tidbits in the toothsome menu of good things to eat, was served.

One of the happiest events on the evening's calendar of the gay and cheerful character, was the formal presentation to the host and hostess of a beautiful chest of silver, containing 100 pieces. This Yuletide gift of silver was presented by Miss Stella Hall, in behalf of all three stores conducted by the hosts.

In behalf of the employees of the United Cloak and Suit store, Benjamin Wheeler presented a beautiful and valuable table play. John Kaplan of the Rialto emporium, was presented by the employees of this establishment an attractive lounge chair, and Mr. Harold Bass received a similar gift.

Mr. and Mrs. Bass received renewed congratulations from guests, one and all, when the merry celebrators departed for their homes at a late hour last night.

It is announced that Mr. Bass will distribute a generous bonus of money to all employees who are listed on the pay-rolls of the three stores operated by the popular merchant. Mr. Bass performs this Yuletide act of beneficence in grateful appreciation of faithful service well performed by loyal men and women.

TEST CASE FOR SMYRNA FIRE LOSS

LONDON, Dec. 19.—The suit for 400,000 pounds brought by the American Tobacco company against the Guardian Assurance company, for losses sustained in the Smyrna fire of 1922 was decided today in favor of the Assurance company.

The action was in the nature of a test case to determine the liability of insurance companies arising out of the Smyrna holocaust. It was estimated that approximately 20,000,000 pounds was involved.

MANY AUTOS MAROONED OF SOUTH AFRICA

Slippery, Ice-Covered Highway Raises Havoc With Traffic in New York

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Down this morning found a score of motor trucks and passenger cars marooned, abandoned or ditched in the slippery, ice-covered highway between this city and Albany. The rain of this city, freezing as it fell, coated the highways with a glass-like covering on which trucks and cars could move only with difficulty.

As a result traffic slowed was reduced to two and three miles an hour. Despite the caution, heavy trucks skidded about the road, drenched into the ditch and remained. Passenger cars did the same, the passengers clinging to the seats or to the car and taking to the interior of the car service which parallels the road.

GUILTY MEMBERS WILL FACE EXPULSION

Expulsion from the organization faces all members of the Cunningham Fire club who are found guilty of wrongdoing in the matter, charges preferred against Chief Edward P. Saunders and filed in petition form with the city council.

The special investigating committee of the club will hold what probably will be its final meeting tomorrow forenoon and hopes to have its report ready for presentation to the club as a whole at two mass meetings next Monday.

CITY GOVERNMENT OF VERA CRUZ DEPOSED

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 19.—(By the Associated Press) The city government of Vera Cruz has been deposed by order of the local legislature, and a so-called council of municipal administration installed.

Police men suddenly appeared yesterday morning and ordered the city officials to leave. No resistance was offered, but the deposed officials refused to recognize the new council and telegraphed a protest to President Calles.

NEW ASSOCIATION ELECTS OFFICERS

The first annual election of officers of the Pawtucketville Mutual Improvement association was held last night in the rooms of the clubhouse in Mammoth road. Balloting for officers was held under the Australian ballot system and the successful candidates will hold office for a term of one year with the exception of the board of directors.

The officers elected last evening are: President, John Curran; vice president, George Walsh; secretary, John Sullivan; treasurer, Bernard Hamill; board of directors, David B. Kingshorn, John Blessington, Patrick Harrington and Frederick Welch.

During the regular meeting important business was transacted among which was the adoption of the by-laws drawn up by a committee composed of John Curran, John Blessington, Frederick Welch and David Kingshorn. It is the desire of this newly organized association to become incorporated under the Massachusetts law and the membership committee is endeavoring to secure at least 200 members before the end of the year.

The purpose of this association is to further improvements in the fast growing section of the city and to promote social functions among the members and the community in general. Every auto resident of Pawtucketville is cordially invited to join the organization.

Plans are under way to hold an "open house" in the near future at which time an official of the commonwealth will be the speaker. An entertainment program will also be given and a buffet luncheon served.

NAMES OF NEW EAGLE SCOUTS ANNOUNCED

Lowell council, Boy Scouts of America, announces the creation of three new local eagle scouts on the membership rolls of local troop organizations Nos. 30 and 17. They are Ernest Pearsall and John Pearsall, Troop 30, St. Patrick's church, and Lester Moorehouse, of Troop 17, Grace Universalist church. Michael P. Ryne is scoutmaster and Harris Gaudet assistant scoutmaster of Troop 30, while Roger W. Gage is scoutmaster and Herbert Colby assistant of Troop 17.

Many promotions have been announced in membership in the second class, tentatively in merit division and first class.

SUSPEND FRANCO-GERMAN NEGOTIATION

PARIS, Dec. 19.—The Franco-German commercial negotiations will be suspended tomorrow until after Christmas.

The Germans thus far have stoutly resisted the French demands for concessions and to have been promised Premier Herriot in London, they insist that negotiations with other countries would result if they favored France in their tariffs.

The Germans have fixed almost prohibitive duties on the articles that include the French export trade most such as hardware, wines, perfumes, flowers and all other agricultural products.

Efforts of senate to agree on time for final vote on Muscle Shoals legislation fails.

UNREST AMONG NATIVES OF SOUTH AFRICA

LONDON, Dec. 19.—Serious unrest among the natives of South Africa is reported by the Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Express, who says their aim is to set up a republic and establish their complete independence of the white race.

He quotes the newspaper of Cape Town to the effect that the Zulus are secretly arming. The authorities at Pretoria, it is said, learned that a fund which the natives are collecting, ostensibly for church building, was actually destined for use in buying arms and ammunition.

CASES DISPOSED OF IN DISTRICT COURT

As the result of a raid in the store of William Subulowsky at 67 Charles street last night, the proprietor appeared in the district court this morning and paid a fine of \$100 after pleading guilty to a charge of illegally keeping liquor. The officers concerned in the raid were Alfred J. Killay, Clyde H. Aldrich, William J. Furey and William L. Keegan.

Michael Cannon pleaded guilty to a charge of illegal keeping and was fined \$150.

Nicholas D. Redhead was found guilty on four counts of larceny and was continued for sentence until next Tuesday. He was arrested about two weeks ago in connection with an alleged fake advertising scheme.

Four centuries of domestication have so changed canary birds that they now are being imported into their native Canary Islands.

The world's largest ice skating rink at Davos, Switzerland is 5000 feet above sea level.

MARX-STRESEMANN CABINET TO REMAIN

BERLIN, Dec. 19.—(By the Associated Press)—Finding themselves unable to form a government commanding a Reichstag majority, President Ebert and Chancellor Marx today agreed to discontinue their efforts until shortly before the Reichstag meeting on January 5, the Marx-Stresemann cabinet meanwhile continuing to function. It is believed the most probable solution of the crisis is that the Marx government will face the Reichstag, chancing defeat by the opposition.

charge of illegal keeping and was fined \$150.

Nicholas D. Redhead was found guilty on four counts of larceny and was continued for sentence until next Tuesday. He was arrested about two weeks ago in connection with an alleged fake advertising scheme.

Four centuries of domestication have so changed canary birds that they now are being imported into their native Canary Islands.

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REPORTS BIG INCREASE IN DRUNKENNESS

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 19.—The number of men and women committed to county jail, penitentiaries and New York city institutions on charges of being drunk and disorderly and driving automobiles while intoxicated showed a decided increase during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1924, it was indicated in reports of sheriffs and authorities in charge of the institutions to the state commission of prisons and made public here today.

The report showed these increases over the previous year:

County jails 3,253, or 42.2 per cent; County penitentiaries 1011, or 62.3 per cent.

New York city institutions 1133, or 38.7 per cent.

The commission said a study of reports for ten fiscal years indicated the number of commitments for these causes was greater during the past year than during any year since 1917, except in the case of penitentiaries where the number committed was greater during each of the fiscal years from 1915 to 1919 than during the past year.

"FRAME-UP" Eleanor Barnes Testifies as to Payment by "John McCormick" to Corcoran

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 19.—Victor Albert Seares, Boston artist, paid William J. Corcoran \$30,000 and said that he had "fixed it up" after a raid on the Seares apartment, Mrs. Abraham Levy, formerly Eleanor Barnes, testified yesterday in the trial of Corcoran, former district attorney of Middlesex county, and five co-defendants on charges of conspiring to extort \$50,000 from Seares. A conversation overheard by Mrs. Levy in a Boston law office, stating that "a John McCormick" was made to pay \$100,000 to avoid publicity, was read into the record in the form of an affidavit introduced by the defense.

There was nothing in the affidavit to indicate the residence of the "Mr. McCormick" mentioned, or to show his business or profession.

Things and tough courts. Instead of the familiar hammer and pegs, are used by cobblers of the South sea islands.

LISTEN! Fairburn Says Why pay more

LARGE BROWN EGGS 47¢ Doz.	LEAN FRESH SHOULDERS 15¢ Lb.	FRESH CREAMERY BUTTER 43¢ Lb.	MAINE POTATOES 15-Lb. 20¢ Peck
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Small Lean Pork lb. 18c

WHY PAY MORE?			WHY PAY MORE?
Fores NATIVE VEAL lb. 8c	Boned and Rolled	Fores of Lamb, lb. 22c	
Smoked Shoulders, lb. 15c		SIRLOIN ROASTS lb. 35c	
Good Quality Chuck Roasts, lb. 15c		FRESH FOWL, 4 lb. ave. 37c	
Lean Boneless POT ROASTS lb. 18c		FRESH KILLED TURKEYS, lb. . . 45c	
Legs of Genuine SPRING LAMB lb. 32c			
Excellent Pot Roast Bottom ROUND lb. 25c	Fresh Killed	CHICKENS lb. . . 39c	
Boned and Rolled RIB ROASTS lb. 29c	Fresh Native	Calves' LIVER lb. 45c	
Freshly Cut PORK CHOPS lb. 25c	Finest Rib	LAMB CHOPS lb. 35c	
No Bone Round ROAST lb. 22c	Small Plump	FRESH FOWL lb. 29c	
THICK RIB CORNED BEEF 18c Lb.			
CABBAGE FREE With Corned Beef			
SWEET JUICY ORANGES 16 for 25c — Or — 4 Doz. for 70c			
VEGETABLES Washed Carrots . . . 3 Lbs. 10¢ Iceberg Lettuce . . . 12½¢ Sweet Peppers, lb. . . 23¢ California Celery . . . 19¢ Mushrooms, lb. . . 59¢ Egg Plant, lb. . . 15¢ Maine Potatoes, pk. . . 20¢ Hot House Lettuce . . . 5¢ Hot House Tomatoes, lb. . . 45¢ Hubbard Squash, lb. . . 4¢ Globe Onions . . . 3 Lbs. 13¢ St. Andrews' Turnips, lb. . . 3¢ Cucumbers Cabbage, lb. . . 2¢ French Endive			
SEVEN FINE FLAVORS CHOCOLATES 35c Lb., 3 Lbs. for \$1 OLIVE OIL PEANUTS 29c Lb. LOWNEY'S CHOCOLATES 2½ Pound Assorted Box \$1.65 CHRISTMAS RIBBON CANDY 2 Pound Box for 43c			
COOKED FOOD Roasted Chicken, lb. . . 89¢ Roasted Ham, lb. . . 75¢ Chicken Roll, lb. . . 65¢ Lunch Tongue, lb. . . 53¢ Country Style Sausage, lb. 29¢ Liverwurst, lb. . . 30¢ Pigs' Hocks, lb. . . 25¢ Scotch Ham, lb. . . 49¢ Italienne Macaroni, lb. . . 15¢ Potato Salad, lb. . . 18¢ Roasted Rump of Beef, lb. 75¢ Fresh Pork Sausage, lb. . . 22¢			
BAKERY DEPT. The Finest Materials Used Bread . . . 3 for 29¢ Brown Bread . . . 8¢ Rye Bread, loaf . . . 9¢ Apple Pies, each . . . 20¢ Coffee Rolls, doz. . . 20¢ Pound Cake, lb. . . 29¢ Whipped Cream Puffs, each. 5¢ Whipped Cream Pies . . . 45¢			
GROCERIES Orange Marmalade, jar . . 19¢ Honey in Comb . . . 35¢ Rolled Oats . . . 4 lbs. 19¢ Cocoa, in bulk . . . 3 lbs. 19¢ Laundry Soap . . . 6 bars 25¢ Ginger Snaps . . . 2 lbs. 25¢ Sugar Peas . . . 2 cans 25¢ Queen Olives, qt. . . 47¢ R. & R. Plum Pudding . . 35¢ Assorted Citron, Lemon and Orange Peel box . . . 35¢ Grandma's Mince Meat, jar 59¢ Assorted Mixed Pickles			

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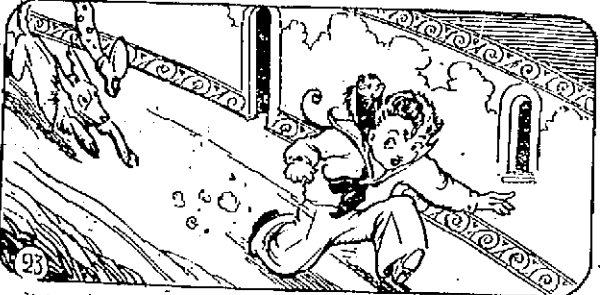
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Jack Daw's Adventures, Chapter 8



Flip seemed to realize that his master was being outmaneuvered so he got in front of the two lanky men and started barking and jumping at them. They slackened their speed in their attempts to ward the dog off. Perhaps the speedy runners thought Flip was going to bite them.



But, that was not Jack's faithful pet's idea. He wanted to give his master a chance to catch up with the runners. And this is just what Jack did. In fact, while the lanky men were battling with Flip, the little adventurer raced right by them and was once more leading the chase.



By this time the auto had raced out of sight. When Jack and his friends came to a double turn in the road, they all stopped. "I wonder which way he went," said Jack. "Must have been this way," replied a lanky man, "there are traces of auto wheels on the hillside." (Continued.)

ADVENTURES OF THE TWINS



FOR THERE WAS SNITCHER SNATCH, THE GOBLIN, HANGING ONTO THE CHURCH STEEPLE WITH ONE HAND AND ONE FOOT.

Johnny Sweep and the Twins were along on Johnny Sweep's broom, carrying Ted's note to the North Pole. "Let's read it," said Johnny Sweep suddenly.

Nancy was so shocked at his manner that she nearly fell off the broom. "Why Johnny Sweep?" she said. "That's not nice! Won't you ever brought up?"

"Sure!" said Johnny. "But this is different. I was just supposing. 'Supposing what?' said Nick.

"I was just supposing that what it something would happen. Then what Santa Claus would never know what Ted wanted for Christmas. But if we read the note, we'll have it in our hands and the note."

"That's different," said Nancy. "Let's stop right away and see what it says." So Johnny Sweep stopped his broom in a pine-tree and they all got off and sat in a row on a green branch and read Ted's letter. It said:

"Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a live bull, pup, and a crossword puzzle book, and a sweater with trees and people on it, and an ice hockey stick and about two bushels of candy."

"Your friend, Ted."

"That's not hard to remember," said Johnny Sweep. "Come on, we'll read all the notes we can and then we'll be on to the North Pole."

So they jumped on his broom again and rode away.

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

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PROBE LYNCHING OF YOUNG NEGRO

Youth Hanged, Shot and His
Body Dragged Through
Streets and Burned by Mob

Outburst at Charleston, Miss.,
Prompted by Alleged At-
tack on White Girl

CHARLESTON, Miss., Dec. 18.—Investigation was under way here today as a result of a message from Governor Arthur Hyde to Attorney-General Jesse Barrett last night following the death of Roosevelt Briggs, 20, a negro, who was hanged, shot, and his body dragged through the streets and burned by a mob. The outburst was prompted by an alleged attack the negro attempted on a white girl.

More than 200 men overpowered Sheriff R. B. Johnson and his deputies, took Briggs and hanged him to a tree in the courtyard.

Grigsby had been arrested earlier in the evening following his identification by a 15-year-old girl as the man who stepped from the shadows of a dark street and grappled with her, but was frightened away by passing motorists.

As the negro hung from the tree a shot was fired into his body. Then it was cut down, tied behind an automobile and dragged through the streets of the negro settlement. Halfway before a grocery store, the occupants of the car stepped out and tied the body to a post.

Cutting it down again, half a dozen men dragged it to a rope's length to a vacant lot nearby, where a fire was kindled in which the body was thrown. The action was said to be the result of racial feeling, intensified by a criminal attack last October upon the wife of a land owner. Forty negroes were arrested, but none identified.

Previous to the beginning of an investigation, Governor Hyde announced he would offer a reward of \$300 for the arrest and conviction of the mob leaders.

Forty-five machines have been made especially for computing soldiers' bonus accounts in the Veterans' bureau in Washington.



—or NECKWEAR at \$1.00 or \$1.50—
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BEAVER BROOK BRIDGE

Planning Board in Special
Meeting Votes to Employ
Zoning Expert

Proper Location for Span to
Be Defined by Mr. Conney
of Cambridge

The Lowell planning board at a special meeting last night voted to employ Arthur C. Conney, of Cambridge, zoning expert, to pass judgment upon the proper location of a bridge over Beaver brook and to consider the structure in connection with future Lowell planning.

B. S. Proulxer brought up the bridge matter for discussion and suggested that a survey of land in the vicinity of Beaver brook might be in order. Mr. Conney replied that he knew very little about the details of the question but felt that some sort of a continuous thoroughfare on the north side of the Merrimack river is necessary. Mr. Conney is to conduct a survey and submit a report two weeks hence.

The city zoning ordinance and plan drawn up by Mr. Conney were accepted by the board, to be submitted to the city council at an early date. After discussion it was voted to put teeth into the ordinance by the insertion of a clause which will insure against lax enforcement of its provisions. This clause will give any citizen who feels a grievance to force the inspector of public buildings to act to remedy it. If the official in question refuses to act, the aggrieved citizen may institute mandamus proceedings to force action.

Present at last night's meeting were Patrick O'Hearn, chairman; Clarence M. Weed, Benjamin S. Proulxer, Michael A. Lee, Dr. G. O. Lavallee and Raymond M. Humphrey.

Announcement has been made by Cardinal O'Connell to the effect that the recently-purchased old Lowell jail property in Thordike street is to be converted into a diocesan educational institution, a preparatory school for boys, to be known as Keith academy. In the announcement, it is stated that the "castle" will soon be a flourishing preparatory school, and will be dedicated as a memorial to the Keith family. It will mark the second memorial under this name in the diocese, as His Eminence has already made arrangements for a magnificent chapel at St. Elizabeth's hospital, Brighton.

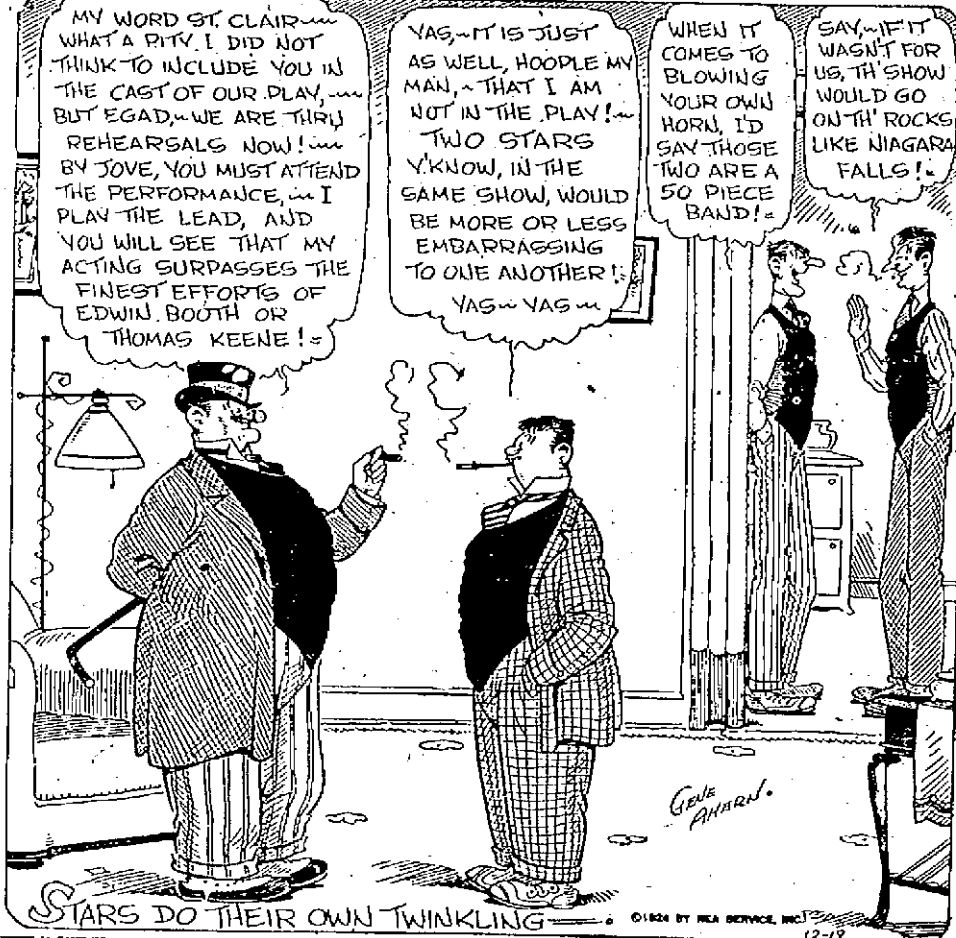
The jail property was purchased by the cardinal at a public auction conducted by Walter E. Guyette on September 24. The cardinal was represented at the sale by Dr. James B. O'Connor of this city, whose bid of \$63,000 for the jail buildings and 110,000 square feet of land was accepted. The jail was erected in 1855 per order of the Middlesex county commissioners, and was used as a detention house until the prohibition law was enacted.

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OUR BOARDING HOUSE



STARS DO THEIR OWN TWINKLING

PRISON HEADS
CHARGE FRAMEUP

Deposed Warden and Assistant Reply to Charges of Accepting Bribes

ATLANTA, Dec. 18.—With the grand jury again in session and A. B. Sartain, deposed warden, and L. J. Fletcher, suspended deputy warden, slated to appear before United States Commissioner Abbott for a hearing on charges of soliciting and accepting bribes from prisoners, further developments in the investigation of the Atlanta federal prison were expected today.

Defense testimony yesterday was confined largely to establishing the fact that strained relations existed between Mrs. Mors and her divorced husband, Albert A. Mors, before they knew McCoy and before their divorce. Mrs. Clara D. Simpson, a friend of the slain woman, described "a terrific fight" between Mr. and Mrs. Mors in their antique shop and Lewis S. Jones, Mrs. Mors' attorney, described a like incident.

TO STUDY CLAIMS
AGAINST MEXICO

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 18.—(By the Associated Press) The foreign office is advised that 25 memoranda have been filed in Washington regarding claims against Mexico to be studied by the general claims commission set up by the two countries. Work on the memoranda will be begun after some time, the commission waiting for more to be filed.

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175 Merrimack Street.
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

High School Sub-Master Addresses Members of Bishop Delany Assembly

The Growth and Present Status of the American High School, was the subject of a very interesting and instructive talk by James F. Conway, sub-master of the Lowell high school, before the members of Bishop Delany assembly, fourth degree, Knights of Columbus, at a meeting in Maria's restaurant last night.

In choosing this subject, Mr. Conway said he did so "because the high school stands today for a social factor so great in the life of this country that it is well worth every citizen's attention to this gigantic educational institution."

Continuing, he said, in part: "The growth of the high school in the country at large to show the great increase in enrollment, the great expansion of plant, the tremendous demand for new teachers. Let us, however, see what has happened in our own school in the population of education."

In 1900 the enrollment was 777; today the enrollment is 2582. There were then about 23 teachers; today 105 teachers have positions in the Lowell high school. Within the short period of 24 years when the population of our city has increased a little over 20 per cent, the enrollment in the high school has increased 330 per cent.

What does this all mean to the community and the school? Well, certainly the level of intelligence of our people is being raised. With so many more young people knocking at the doors of education, the benefits cannot but be felt sooner or later in our social and civic life. The efficiency of a democracy is dependent on the number and quality of the ideas and ideals common to the people on a whole. With high school education so widespread such education forces must in the end raise the collective thinking of the people.

Moreover, the broadening of culture means an appreciation of the common things of life and a deep and abiding respect for the efforts of those who have placed our civilization on this high plane it now is. This enlightenment means, moreover, that the problem of financial support becomes a matter of common sense. Do you realize that to run the Lowell school system it costs \$200,000 per day to run the Lowell high school. Again this great factor in our high school means a far more diversified grouping of pupils. Boys and girls now come from all races and social strata and this condition in turn brings new problems to the school. Mr. Conway was vigorously applauded when he concluded.

UNION VOTES TO DISBAND

Pawtuxet Valley Branch of Textile Workers of America Disbands

Assets of the Branch, Which Had Locals in Many R. I. Cities, to Be Divided

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 18.—The Pawtuxet Valley branch of the Amalgamated Textile Workers of America voted to disband last night because of diminishing membership and discovery of the fact that the national headquarters in New York is disorganized.

Assets of the branch, which had locals in Natick, Phoenix, Crompton and other centers in the territory, will be divided among the remaining members. The Amalgamated was the union which fought the textile strike of 1922 in the Pawtuxet valley, while the United Textile Workers, an American Federation of Labor union, was carrying a three battle in the Blackstone valley, the state's other big textile field.

Leaders present at the disbanding meeting were divided on the question of affiliation in the future with the United Textile Workers or the American Federation of Labor union, which is strong in Fall River and New Bedford, Mass.

The decision of the Pawtuxet valley operatives leaves the district without effective textile workers' organization.

BIOS ON HYGIANES
Bids were opened this forenoon in the office of the purchasing agent for 20 hydrants for the water department, and were as follows: Ludlow Valve Co., \$71.24; Eddy Valve Co., \$72.24; Kennedy Valve Co., \$72.21; and F. Houdlette, \$77.60. As three bidders were tied, the award of the contract was taken under advisement.

SUN BREVITIES

Watson Bros., Printers, 243 Dutton st.
Catering, the Best, Lydon, Tel. 4934.
Rebuilt batteries, \$10, Postoffice Gar.
Eat Cameron's Ice Cream—Callahan and O'Malley, props. Tel. 6187-6188.
Fire and Liability Insurance, Daniel J. O'Brien, Wyman's Exchange.

The first street oval has been prepared for flooding by park department employees and will be flooded for skating whenever weather conditions are favorable.

Miss Alma M. Barry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Barry, Sr., will come from Albany, N. Y., for the holidays next week.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles T. Billings, formerly of this city, now living in Cambridge, were driven out of their home by fire early yesterday morning. The dwelling is situated in "Trail" street and was so badly damaged by the flames that occupancy will not be possible for some time.

Our stock is full of highest grade, newest style men's fixings in unlimited variety at the lowest prices in Lowell.
Every article boxed in a Christmas gift box.
35c BOSTON PAD GARTERS 19c—55c Garter and Armband COMBINATIONS 45c—65c SHIRLEY PRESIDENT SUSPENDERS 39c—\$1.00 PURE SILK and SILK KNITTED NECKWEAR 55c; 2 for \$1.00—\$1.50 and \$2.00 PURE SILK newest style NECKWEAR .95c—\$2.00 new SILK STRIPE MADRAS SHIRTS \$1.35—\$4.00 brilliant FIBRE SILK SHIRTS \$2.95—\$6.50 radiant solid color SILK SHIRTS \$4.95—\$3.95 LINED KID GLOVES \$1.95—\$3.50 WOOL LINED MOCHA GLOVES \$2.45—\$4 SILK LINED MOCHA GLOVES \$2.95—\$5.00 semi-lined FUR GLOVES \$3.45—\$1.00 ALL WOOL ribbed HOSE 55c; 2 pairs \$1.00—35c HEATHER dropstitch HOSE 19c—85c FIBRE SILK HOSE 55c; 3 for \$1.00.
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Braderick's Orchestra—Subscription 50 Cents

SHEIK CONTEST AND DANCE TONIGHT
By the Honey Boys—Exhibition Prize Waltz—Favors
BY GUNN ORIGINAL JAZZ ORCHESTRA, of Boston
TEWKSBURY TOWN HALL—TICKETS 50 CENTS
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BIG CHRISTMAS DANCE TOMORROW NIGHT
"Xmas Fun, Favors, Noise Makers, Jingle-Bell Dancing"
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Bank Robbers Set Fire to Town

ALLARD SAYS NEW WARDS NEEDED

Christmas Programs in Schools

SAYS TWO NEW WARDS NEEDED TO EVENLY DISTRIBUTE VOTES

J. Omer Allard of Board of Election Commissioners Points Out Unequal Registration Figures Now Existing as Redistricting of City is Under Discussion

Two more wards will be necessary in the city to evenly distribute its voting strength, Clerk J. Omer Allard of the election commission said this morning when questioned concerning redistricting now in progress. Other members of the board would make no statement concerning the redistricting other than progress is being made and that the work would likely continue over a period of a week before being completed.

In making his statement relative to the necessity of two more wards, making a total of 11 for the city, Mr. Allard continued on page 18.

OIL CONSERVATION BOARD IS CREATED BY PRES. COOLIDGE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—An oil conservation board, consisting of the secretaries of war, navy, interior and commerce, was created today by President Coolidge. The new board will study the government's responsibility in oil conservation, and will seek the full co-operation of the oil industry to that end.

WRECK BANKS, CARRY OFF TWO SAFES AND SET FIRE TO TOWN

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 19.—Bank robbers set fire to the town of Valley View early today, after wrecking a state and national bank and carrying away two safes. The banks were the First National and the Guaranty, and the business section was wiped out by the fire. No accurate estimate of their loss could be obtained at first, but the fire damage was estimated at \$100,000. The safes weighed 4000 pounds each.

GUILTY MEMBERS WILL DEPARTMENT MOTORIZED

Expulsion from the organization faces all members of the Cunningham Fire Club who may be found guilty of wrongdoing in the matter of charges preferred against Chief Edward P. Saunders and filed in petition form with the city council.

The special investigating committee of the club will hold what probably will be its final meeting tomorrow forenoon and hopes to have its report ready for presentation to the club as a whole at two mass meetings next Monday.

N. Y. AND BOSTON CLEARINGS
NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Exchanges, \$61,000,000; balances, \$110,000,000.
BOSTON, Dec. 19.—Exchanges, \$72,000,000; balances, \$28,000,000.

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Postpone Action on Resolution Calling for Inquiry Into Status of U. S. Navy

HUNT SLAYERS OF TROOPER

N. J. State Troopers Searching For Armed Men Who Flew After Killing

Attempts to Steal \$6000 Payroll Frustrated by Slain Man and Companion

BOUND BROOK, N. J., Dec. 19.—State troopers today are searching for armed men who escaped in a red touring car after killing State Trooper Robert Coyle near here yesterday, when they attempted to steal the \$6000 payroll of the Bound Brook Crushed Stone Co. at Chalmers Rock were frustrated by Troopers Coyle and John Gregorovich.

Trooper Coyle was shot and killed as he and Gregorovich were driving back to their headquarters at Plumville, N. J., after accompanying Chas. B. Higgins, manager of the Stone company, from a bank here to the quarry with the money.

Coyle had arrested one of the men and was leading him to his car when three others fired from ambush at the side of the road. At the same time the man under arrest drew a revolver and shot Trooper Coyle through the mouth. The quartet then alarmed Trooper Gregorovich and fled in the red automobile which had been parked around a bend in the road.

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NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL BADLY NEEDED HERE

For years, it seems, there has been discussion, pro and con, and mostly the latter, as to the need of the installation of a no-school signal that will not depend upon the city fire alarm system. The status of the matter today is unknown and it is doubtful whether it is obtainable.

Another manifestation of the need of a new system came early this afternoon when a fire alarm was sent in from Box 522 at 12:45 o'clock. From that time until well after 1 o'clock it was next to impossible to get a connection with fire headquarters switchboard, so closed was the system with calls from persons inquiring as to whether the no-school signal sounded. Such a menacing condition of affairs ought to lead someone into action.

Other cities have alarm signals that may be heard over an area as large as Lowell's, why cannot one be purchased for use here?

Box 522 was for a fire in a barber shop at 744 Lakeview avenue owned by Harvey Trudeau. The damage was slight.

CITY GOVERNMENT OF VERA CRUZ DEPOSED

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 19.—(By the Associated Press) The city government of Vera Cruz has been deposed by order of the local legislature, and a so-called council of municipal administration installed.

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PROBE BLOCKED BY COMMITTEE

Chairman Hale of Senate Naval Committee to Collect Data From Navy Dept.

Resolution of Senator King, Democrat, Called for Immediate Inquiry

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Action upon the resolution of Senator King, democrat, Utah, for an inquiry into the status of the American navy was postponed indefinitely today by the senate naval committee.

After more than two hours' debate in executive session, however, Chairman Hale was instructed to obtain comprehensive data from the navy department bearing on the charges made by the Utah senator.

Senator Hale said it was impossible to estimate how long it would take to collect this data. Asked whether the resolution had been indefinitely postponed, he replied:

"The committee thought it best to wait until they had the facts."

CHRISTMAS EXERCISES IN LOCAL SCHOOLS

Christmas exercises were held in the public schools of the city today and consisted of recitations and songs. The exercises were held in the school auditoriums this afternoon, although in a few instances exercises were confined to the individual rooms. In the kindergarten and primary schools, room exercises were held this forenoon.

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SIX DEATHS DUE TO STORM AND COLD IN MIDDLE WEST

Other States Added to Domain of Storm and Cold That for Five Days Has Held Northwest and Rocky Mountain Region in Icy Grip

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—(By the Associated Press)—The middle west today was added to the domain of the storm and cold that for five days have held the northwest and Rocky Mountain region in an icy grip.

Snow and sleet were generally forecast for the great lakes region, the upper Mississippi valley and portions of the southwest, while temperature already hovering near the zero mark is expected to sink still lower.

Death stalked in the wake of the cold as it extended its scope, with communication in many sections was interrupted and trains were delayed.

Three died in the Rocky Mountain region, one was reported in Oklahoma and two were dead in Chicago from

LARGEST PEACE-TIME SUPPLY BILL EVER PRESENTED TO CONGRESS

Measures Carrying More Than Three-Quarters of a Billion Dollars for Treasury and P. O. Department Reported to House Appropriation Committee

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The largest peace-time supply bill ever presented to congress—a measure carrying more than three-quarters of a billion dollars for treasury and post office department activities during the coming fiscal year—was reported today by the house appropriation committee.

The total is \$763,180,822 or \$11,890,614 more than for the current year, but approximately \$12,000,000 less than budget estimates.

Of the combined total \$26,911,167 would go to the treasury and \$63,263,115 to the post office department.

Included in the treasury item is \$11,000,000 for enforcement of prohibition—\$783,120 more than recommended by the budget but \$11,770 less than the total available this year. In addition the bill carries \$20,507,835 for the coast guard, which is now being used to prevent liquor smuggling.

Among the post office department items is \$2,600,000 for the transcontinental air mail service—\$150,000 less than the amount granted for this year.

The bill carried \$16,556,000 for the customs service—\$322,010 less than was appropriated last year; \$117,600 for the federal farm loan bureau; \$15,021,850 for the interest revenue service, including \$11,000,000 for prohibition enforcement; \$7,100,191 for the public health service, and \$1,652,010 for mint and assay offices.

"From the evidence obtained by the committee," said the report, "there is no decrease in work to be performed in the enforcement of the prohibition and narcotic act as to justify at the present time a decrease in the organization."

CELLMATES COME TO BLOWS OVER PUZZLE

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 19.—A four letter word meaning "a place of punishment," suggested "cell" to Michael Flood, arrested on a charge of drunkenness, but to Michael Grapp, his cellmate, the last three letters were all right, but the first one was wrong. They fought about it in their cell last night and today Flood was sentenced to 30 days in the work house, or a \$10 fine for striking his companion. Both were arrested yesterday and had hit upon the cross-word puzzle as a way to pass the hours in county jail.

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UNIONS TAKE NO ACTION ON WAGE REDUCTION

Local members of the affiliated text-

ile unions are resting on their oars for the present, a leading official told The Sun this morning.

No local union officials will make any statements officially, on the new situation that faces Lowell textile workers of both sexes. Leaders of both the Lowell Trades and Labor union and Lowell Textile Council organizations say that all communications, for the present must come only after the executive council of the International United Textile Workers of America take charge of the new wage schedule situation that has now developed in the largest of Lowell's textile industrial organizations.

President C. E. Anderson of the Trades and Labor Council, said this noon that no special meetings have been considered, and that so far as known now, the council will hold no meeting until the next scheduled date, two weeks from last night.

Executive board member, John Hanley, upon whom many of the duties of advising and directing local textile workers devolves in his capacity as official representative of the International union, is now engaged in important board conferences in New York city.

Department Motorized

Continued
gine 2 and housed at the Central station in Palmer street.

Within the next two months there will be delivered to the department, as already provided for in an appropriation, four new 600-gallon White pumping engines and an aerial ladder truck, drawn by a 10-ton White tractor. With the coming of these engines, the last horse in the department will seek more quiet pastures.

Of the four new pumps to be delivered, one will go to Pawtucketville, one to Gorham street, one to Rice street and one to Fourth street and then the aerial ladder truck is installed at headquarters in Palmer street, the city service ladder truck new there will be transferred to West Fourth

street to replace the horse-drawn truck now in use.

Present Engine 3 at Palmer street, a Robinson, probably will go into reserve as a hose machine. Chief Saunders said today that he will order the pumping apparatus on the machine taken off to lighten the load and then place the car in reserve and because of inability to get new parts, it never can be repaired.

On either Saturday or Monday the new Ahrens-Fox pump will be tested before representatives of the board of fire underwriters and if satisfactory will be accepted and put into service.

One of the new White pumps ordered is expected to arrive in the city next week and as soon as tested and approved will go to the Fourth street house as Engine 6.

New running cards have been compiled by the chief and now are being printed and will be ready for distribution the first of the year. Some rearrangement of boxes to be answered by apparatus on first alarm has been necessary by the formation of Engine 6, 2 in the Oakland and there also have been several new alarm boxes added since the present running cards were issued in 1921.

Treacherous Traveling
Continued
ing much in the same fashion as did motor car drivers who provided in amateur circus all their own yesterday morning in just the same way and in the same place.

The host of mill workers found the roads to all places of employment slippery, unsafe walking in every direction. While the majority declined to abandon their tramp to the mill gates, many hundreds of curriers preferred to wait for the street cars

and ride to work when they realized the condition of the usual traffic ways.

The street department crews of sand-spreaders were not called out until 7:30. Some commuters to work who invariably walk from homes to places of employment every working day in the year, criticized the street department for not sending out the "mad men" earlier in the morning.

A fine rain, starting early last evening, turned into ice almost as fast as it fell. Autoists and pedestrians had their troubles all evening, particularly those moving back and forth from the theatres and other places of evening recreation. In the city proper, the rain did not freeze quickly until shortly before midnight.

The weather man diligently keeping his eyes open on the custom house tower in Boston—meteorologist and everything—predicts more rain tonight and tomorrow, with rising temperature, but increasingly strong east and southeast winds. The threat of a cold wave, which has been loomed on the way from the far west and Calgary northwest sections of the weather map, is still missing, but it is anticipated by the weather sharps that it will reach Lowell Sunday morning, when the present storm will have departed from New England; if present indications can be depended upon, Lowell will certainly have colder weather after this April-finger storm anyhow.

Temperatures were very low in many sections of the country last night. St. Paul's mercury reading was 2 below zero. San Francisco citizens continue to make poor excuses for all that Golden Gate-Sunshine Gardens literature they sent east to New England just before Thanksgiving day. The mercury read as low as 42 in Fresno last night, and was still dropping.

Washington temperatures are normal, with a 50 above report and clear weather of the early spring brand. Portland was 15 above last night, and no storm in sight then.

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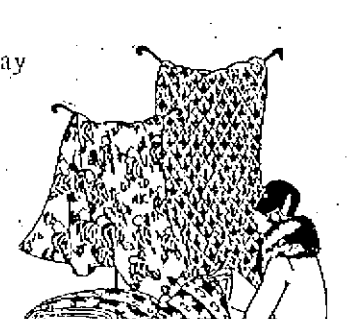
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FUNERALS

MCCARTHY—With impressive services at St. Margaret's church the funeral of Mrs. Mary McCarthy, an old and highly respected resident of this city, took place this morning at 9 o'clock from her late home, 14 Edison street, and was largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends. The cortege proceeded to St. Margaret's church where at 9 o'clock a glowing mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Leo O'Day. The choir sang the Gregorian chant, the solo being sung by Miss Katherine J. McCarthy and Mr. Cornelius Cahan. Prof. Louis Guilbault presided at the organ. In attendance at the funeral were many of the older residents of St. Patrick's parish, where deceased resided for over 50 years. Also there were present representatives of the business and professional life of the city. There was a profusion of beautiful floral and a large number of spiritual offerings. The bearers were Messrs. Leo McCarthy, Charles E. McCarthy and Charles J. McCarthy. John Brennan, James McGarrity and Frank J. Maggerty. Burial took place in St. Patrick's cemetery where the funeral prayers were read at the grave by Rev. O'Day. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons.

PULAN—The funeral of Stephen J. Pulan, of Billica, took place yesterday from the undertaking rooms of J. J. Donahoe, 100 St. Patrick street, at 9 o'clock. Rev. J. Harold Dine of Billica officiated. There was singing of appropriate selections by Mrs. George J. Sturtevant. Burial was in the Tewksbury cemetery.

JOHNSTON—The funeral of little Robert L. Johnston took place yesterday afternoon from Saunders' Funeral Home, 217 Appleton street, and was largely attended by friends. The services were conducted by Rev. J. B. Shields, pastor of the First Presbyterian church. There were many beautiful floral tributes. Burial took place in the family lot in the Edison cemetery. The funeral service was read by Rev. J. B. Shields. Arrangements were in charge of Undertakers William H. Saunders.

HALL—Funeral services for Mrs. Anna E. Hall were held at the rooms of Undertaker W. Herbert Blake, 18 Market street, yesterday afternoon. Rev. Appleton Granville, pastor of St. Ann's Episcopal church, officiated. The flowers were numerous. Burial was in the family lot in the Edison cemetery, where the burial service was read by Rev. Mr. Granville.

STIMPSON—Mrs. Annie R. Stimpson, a resident of this city for over 50 years, died last evening at the Lowell Corporation hospital at the age of 81 years, 2 months and 10 days. She is survived by her husband, John A. Stimpson, one daughter, Miss Marion; a son, Roger L. Stimpson; one sister, Mrs. Hattie Clarke; and one brother, George S. Olin. All of this city. Mrs. Stimpson was a member of the First Union Congregational church. The body will be removed to her home, 67 Methuen street, by Undertaker William H. Saunders.

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DEATHS

HOMER—Mrs. Mary Homer, for over 30 years a resident of this city and a devoted attendant of St. Anthony's church, died this morning at her home, 1111 Draught street, after a prolonged illness. She is survived by her husband, John, three daughters, Mrs. Lena Souza, Mrs. Mary Antonio and Jesse Homer of Lowell.

DUFFY—Miss Mary E. Duffy, a well known and popular young resident of this city and a former resident of Billica, died this morning at Rutland, Mass., after a prolonged illness. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Julia Duffy; one sister, Grace; and one brother, Leo Duffy. The family has the sympathy of a wide circle of friends in their bereavement, this being the fourth death in the family in two years. The body was removed to the funeral home of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons, 14 Highland st.

LORIGAN—John T. Lorigan, a resident of this city for the past 35 years, residing at 33 Houghton street, a former employee of the Eastern Mass. St. Railway Co., died this morning at St. Margaret's parish, after a long illness. He had been in ill health for the past seven weeks and although his death was unexpected, it will cause sincere regret among many friends. Deceased was a man of many admirable qualities. He is survived by his wife, Mary (nee Nishin) Lorigan; three sons, Thomas J., a well known letter carrier, Charles J., a member of the Lowell fire department, and John Henry Lorigan; two daughters, Mary and Annabel T. Lorigan; also his mother, Mrs. Bridget Lorigan of Ireland. Mr. Lorigan was a member of Div. 8, A.O.U.F., Street Railway Employees union and the Holy Name society. The body will be removed to his late home, 23 Houghton street, by Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons.

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PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Control of Departments by
City Engineer Discussed
at Meeting

Board Passes Resolutions on
Death of Water Depart-
ment Superintendent

Resolutions on the death of Supt. Robert R. Gardner of the water department were drawn up by members of the public service board at their regular meeting yesterday afternoon. The clerk was instructed to set aside a page of the records in memory of the late superintendent, to send a letter of condolence to the widow, and also to send flowers to the home. It was also voted by the board to keep the pumping stations and Merrimack street entrance of city hall draped in mourning for 30 days and to attend the funeral tomorrow afternoon in a body.

The matter of the city engineer taking charge of all departments under the public service board, as voted some time ago, was discussed briefly but action was deferred to next Monday, when the board will meet at noon.

The meeting was called to order at 4 o'clock by Chairman Dennis J. Murphy, all members being present. Attorney William Regan, representing the Highland Realty Associates, and Edward W. Frank, conferred with the board regarding the issue of the Oakland sewer, final action being deferred for two weeks.

J. W. Douglas was granted permission to close a strip of third street 10 feet wide in front of the proposed location of the new county court house.

The board voted to meet the auditor at noon Monday to discuss financial matters.

Mr. Meloy called attention to a motion introduced by him several months ago and unanimously passed, giving the city engineer full charge of departments under the board, and said he thought it was about time the engineer took charge of the departments. This was held up, he said, because of the fact that it was suggested, in ordinance to draw up setting forth the engineer's duties, but as this apparently is not forthcoming, he said he would like to see the engineer in charge by the first of the year. The matter was discussed by the three members briefly and action deferred for a conference next Monday noon.

The following resolution on the

death of Supt. Gardner was drawn up by Chairman Murphy to be inserted on a separate page of the records and to be signed by the three members of the board:

"The water department has met with a great loss in the death of its superintendent and I think that some appropriate action ought to be taken by this board in recognition of his services to the city. I have been in close contact with Robert Gardner since my term of service on this board and I think I could sum his sterling qualities up in a few words. He was an honest man, a conscientious public servant who held the entire confidence of his department."

"The close attention which he gave the department must have impaired his health. He was present early every morning and late every night and I think his service to the city of Lowell brought about the cold which carried him off. He spent most of his life in the service of the city, devoting all his energy and his time to the water department."

The board then authorized Asst. Supt. James Reynolds to drap the Merrimack street entrance to city hall and the pumping station for a period of 30 days. The clerk was also instructed to send a letter of condolence to the widow and also a proper floral tribute in the name of the board. The board voted to meet at 1:15 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at city hall and to go from there to the home of the deceased to attend the funeral services.

Adjourned at 5:15 o'clock.

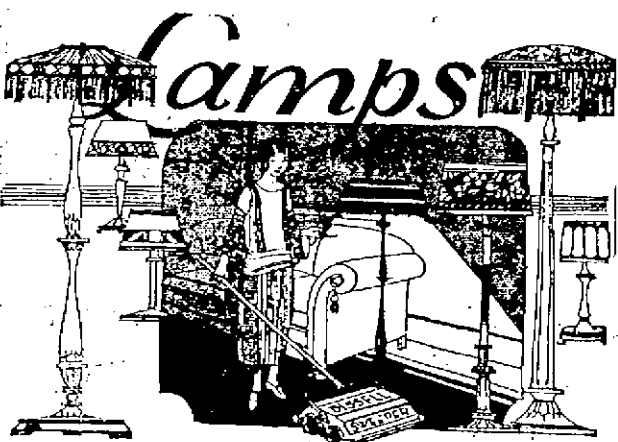
WILL CLOSE DOORS
WHEN LECTURE BEGINS

Mrs. Sydney Thompson of New York will give a program of readings in the Parker series at the Memorial Auditorium Sunday afternoon, including two original plays and folk-lore.

The Parker course trustees announce that hereafter the doors of the Auditorium will be closed when lectures or entertainments begin. This has been found necessary because of the interruption caused by late-comers and is a ruling now in effect in nearly all lecture courses of a similar nature.

HENRY SULLIVAN
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A parcel of land approximately 10,000 square feet in area, has been sold by Miss Martina Gage to Henry Sullivan, well known swimmer. The land is located in West Fifth street and adjoins the Sullivan house. Mr. Sullivan is at present touring the middle west in vaudeville, but from his brother, Harold, it is learned that it is his intention to erect two modern apartments on the land.

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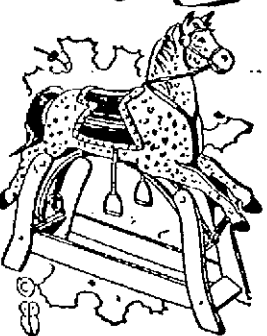
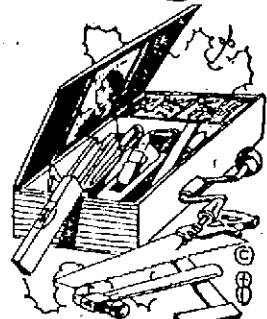
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AND WORKERS CONFER

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 15.—A mixed convention attended by textile employers and workers is to open here day.

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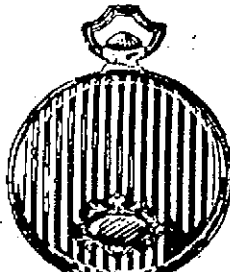


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Duet, "Petit Jeune" Pournay

Dalma Gellineau, Yvonne Savary

Recitation, "Approaching Christmas" Barle Gellineau

Chorus, "O, Come All Ye Faithful"

Semi-Chorus, "Cradle Hymn" Rousseau

Matthew Bell, Alice Sabre, Yvonne Savary, Albert Trotter, Lillian Fletcher, Gladys Jones, Elizabeth Le-mont, Dalma Gellineau, Lina Dion, Helen Donohoe, Miriam Sabre, Char-

mont Nadeau, William Georgeau.

Reading from "The Birds" Christmas Carol.

Chorus, "Holy Night" Haynes

Recitation, "The King's Gifts" Garrison

Gladys Wood

Reading, "Jack's Christmas Shopping" Alric Forrest

Chorus, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

Recitation, "Just Fore Christmas" Field

Matthew Bell

Chorus, "O, Little Town of Bethlehem" Brooks

LEXINGTON AVENUE SCHOOL

Grades I and II

Song, "December" Class

Recitation, "Santa Claus" James Maule, Stasia Prynsky, Charles Litch, Marjorie McLennan, Robertine Troville, Arthur Troville, Stephen Banakas, Penelope Pouli-

Recitation, "Merry Christmas" Alice Silcox

Poem, "Do You Know What I'd Like To Do?" Class

Recitation, "Who Can Tell?" Walter Traversy

Song, "Away In a Manger" Class

"A Christmas Story" Blanche Troville, Helen Silcox, Mar-jorie McLennan, Stella Lallas, Alex-andria Marikas, Stella Brown, Jan-ette Eldestein, Lillian Beilsie, Alice Logothetis, Maria Manopou, Stella Banakas, Penelope Pouliacos

Recitation, "Dolly's Present" Blanche Troville

Stocking Drill

Vincent Prynsky, Penelope Banakas, Alfred Langlois, Dorothy Marshall, Stephen Banakas, Robertine Troville, Andrew Papposturgion, Angeliki Marakas, Christos Litchos, Helen Jones, William Hump, Clara Orna-las, Paul Pouliacos, Blanche Troville, Walter Traversy, Alice Silcox

Recitation, "Hanging Up the Stockings" Eleanor Donaghue

Mother Goose Exercise

Old Woman, Penelope Banakas; Santa Claus, Harold Twombly; Simple Simon, Charles Doulames; Hey John, Edward Butterfield; Jack Horner, Arthur Papposturgion; Little Miss Muffet, Dorothy Marshall; Johnny Stout, John Doulames; Tom-my Green, James Maule

Song, "See the Pretty Christmas" Class

Arrival of Santa Claus with Gifts

Grades III, IV and V

Christmas Carols

School and Audience

Christmas Greeting

Clifford Butterfield

Christmas Melodies

Anthologia Coronis, Frederic Edwards, Demetrius Pouliacos, Kazanika, Kazanika, Orlin Bump

Song, "The First Christmas" School

Recitation, "How Many Stars" Myrtle Barker

Dramatization, "The Talented Dolls" Doll Simon, Walter George; Buretti, her assistant; Stavria Poy-Makou; French Dolls, Dorothy Bump, Ruth Lord, Penelope Pappa-fagos, Helen Clifford, Hresula Log-othetis, Georgia Conenbly

Recitation, "Help One Another" John Donaghue

Reading, "Gobbie, Gobbie Goo" David Mulaniff

Recitation, "Poor Santa" Dorothy Bump

Poet, "Mixed Baskets" Mrs. Joyce, Elizabeth Walker; Joe and Louella, her children, John Coughlin, Alexandria Skaperias; The Maid, Evanyia Coronis; Old Mrs. Nixon, the seamstress, Violet Beilsie; Old Eli, Walter Klatta

Recitation, "Santa's Hired Man" Wendell Butterfield

Song, "Santa's Helper" School

Recitation, "Wonderings" School

Song, "The Christmas Tree" School

Arrival of Santa with Gifts

BARTLETT JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Story of the First Christmas

Lucile Ynal

Song, "Away In a Manger" Vera Green, Beatrice McCabe, Donald Phyllis Hall, Eleanor Donohoe, Robert Swanberg, Patricia Buckles, James Vurgaropoulos, Eleanor Lotua, Elan-beth Vozelas, Mildred Cassidy, Na-bel Harrington, Joseph Gill, Arthur Notini

Song, "Away In the Manger" School

Recitation, "Quest of the Magi" Michael Ralla

Recitation, "The Empty Raggedy Stock-ing" Shelby Huxson

Drill, March of the Christmas Trees

Group from Grade IV

Recitation, At Christmas Time

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Recitation, A Christmas Carol

Candle Drill, Group from Grade I; Rita Doforge, Mildred Waterhouse, Dor-othy Waterhouse, Add Cork, San-tie Carinas, Shirley Beauregard, Helen Woods, Christina Kenia, Beaulha Huxson, Anna Evans, Shirley Swan-son, Doris McGaughey

Song, The Christmas Tree

Grades I-III

Song and Recitation, Group from Grade I

Recitation, "I'd Like to Know" Betty Mulry

Song Christmas Gift

Group from Grade III

Recitation, Joy Bells

Bertha Barton, Helen Maher, Miriam Waterhouse

Song, The First Noel

Group from Grades II-III

Action Song, The Toy Shop

Phyllis Hall, Eleanor Donohoe, Robert Swanberg, Patricia Buckles, James Vurgaropoulos, Eleanor Lotua, Elan-beth Vozelas, Mildred Cassidy, Na-bel Harrington, Joseph Gill, Arthur Notini

Song, "Away In the Manger" School

Recitation, "Quest of the Magi" Michael Ralla

Recitation, "The Empty Raggedy Stock-ing" Shelby Huxson

Drill, March of the Christmas Trees

Group from Grade IV

Recitation, At Christmas Time

Grade II—

Marcela Donovan

Song, Silent Night

Recitation, Christmas Doings

Edna Travis, Marcela Donovan, Estelle Gough, Dorothy Hannan

Song, O Come All Ye Faithful

School

BARTLETT JUNIOR HIGH

Barbara Barker in Charge of Program

Selection

School orchestra

Song, It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

School

Dance, Children from Grade I

Christmas Carol (in French)

French club

Reading, The Glad Evangel

Maurice Levy

Selections—

a. We Three Kings of the Orient Are

b. Selected

Boys' Glee club

Recitation, By Bethlehem Town

Mary Gonsoles

Recitation, The Christmas Carol

Arlene Hope

Selections—

a. Selected

Boys' Glee club

Recitation, A Desire

Selection, I See Three Shiny

Ukulele club

Song, O Little Town of Bethlehem

School

BUTLER JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Entrance march, "America's Finest"

School orchestra; singing, "O, Come All Ye Faithful"; "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing"; school; reading, "Christmas Eve"; announcement, Ellen Ormsby. Mem-bers of orchestra: First violins—Helen Santos, Patrick Frounce, Edward M.

Grade II—

Thomas Bourke, Donald Lettich, Manuel Freitas, Nathan Aldrich; selec-tion, "The Garden by the Sea"; Girls' Glee club; playlet, "Christmas in the Air"; Butler Dramatic club—Conductor, Joseph Costa, Grandina Bascom, Win-ona Pierce, Mr. Grumpy, William Gar-zant, Dan, a lame boy, Jack Jordan; James Denton, William Burgoyn; Mrs. Newton, Mary Miliowski; Mrs. Tiredly, Anna Brady; Mr. Genial, Frank Walsh; Miss Moneybags, Madeline Toy; Mr. Goodwill, Francis Morris; Susie Olson, Caroline Cole, Shining, "La Marsell-inae"; French club; selection, "Spirit of America"; school orchestra; dance, "Snow Flurries"; Physical Culture club—Helen Plevano, Emma Fitzpatrick, Alice Fitzpatrick, Mildred Spencer, Mary Netto, Annie Rogers, Mary Sul-livan, Elmer Ivers, Helen Regan, Kathryn MacDonald, Ella Caldwell, Irene Hanson, Eva Rettecourt, Hazel Dams, Lillian Cassidy; singing, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"; "O Little Town of Bethlehem"; school; piano solo, "Moonlight"; Wilma San-born; selection, "Fairiest Evening"; Boys' Glee club; playlet, "Christmas Visitors in Other"; Anna Buckley; Margery, Chris Pendegast; Ethel, Marion Cox; A Burman Girl, Hazel Johnson; A Japanese Girl, Annie Abraham; A Turkish Girl, Lucy Moushegian; Chin-esse Boy, George MacMahon; Negro Boy, Fred Avila; Eskimo Boy, Hugh Two-mey; An American Boy, Thomas Shaw; Sing, "Silent Night"; school; exit march, "Flag Day"; School orchestra. Accom-panists, Evelyn Marais and Irene Rus-sell; announcer, Ellen Ormsby. Mem-bers of orchestra: First violins—Helen Santos, Clara German, Irene Roche.

Veronica Urban, John Bakunas, Joseph Davis, Benjamin Kahn, America Grande, Raymond Mason, Walter Turner, Arthur Silva, Andrew Wilkins; second violins—George Keeran, William Ritchie, James Drumm, Walter Gorski; banjo—Evelyn Downs; clarinets—William Tumulty, Raymond Campbell, Charles Gregg; cornet—David Parrat; saxo-phone—Ruth Quinn; drums—John Gra-ham; piano—Evelyn Marais, Irene Rus-sell.

MOORE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Grade IX

Mr. Fred O. Blunt, Director

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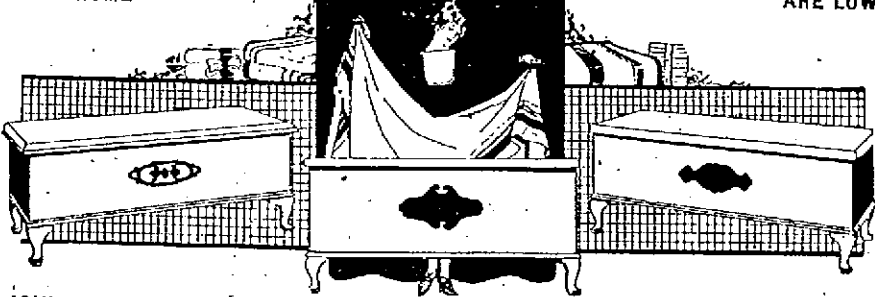
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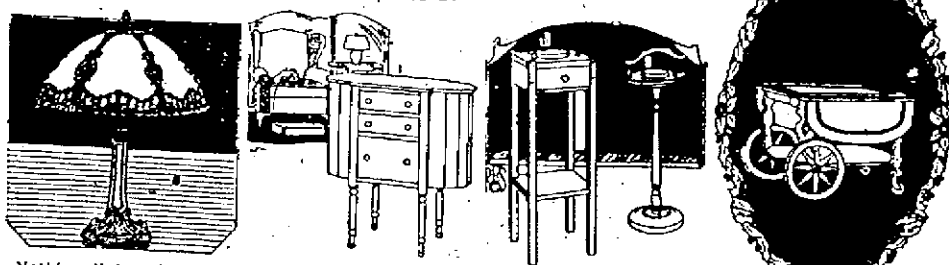
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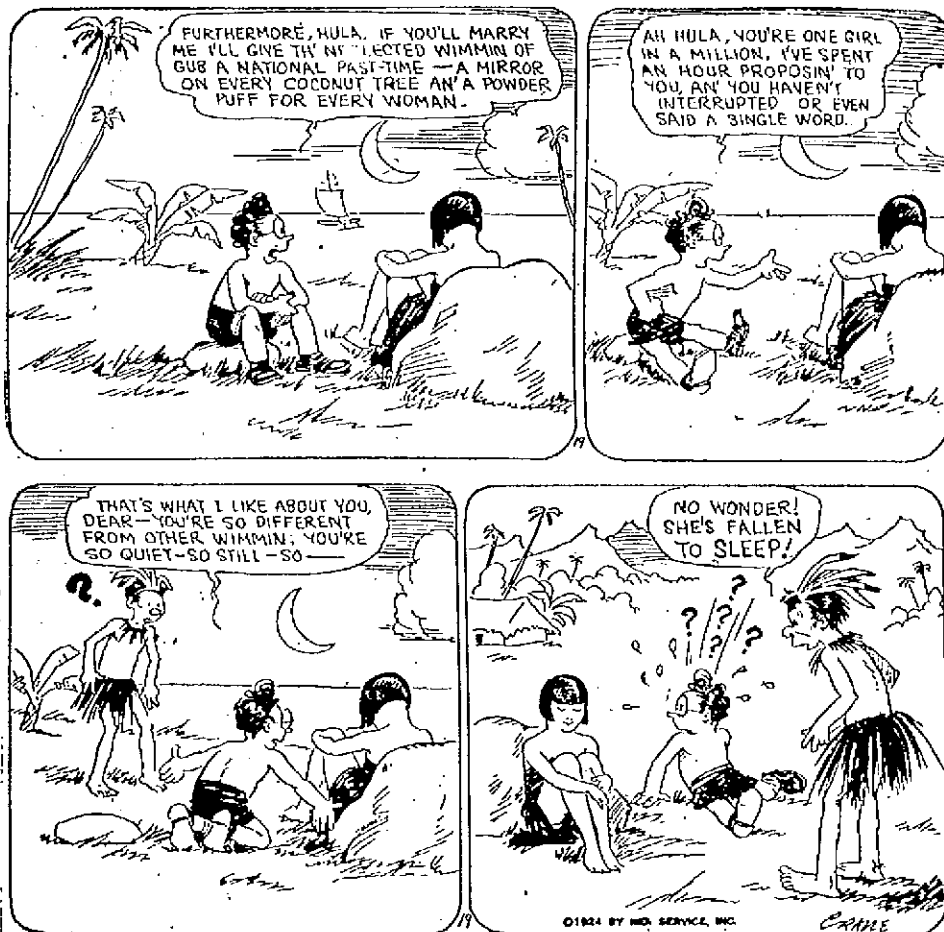
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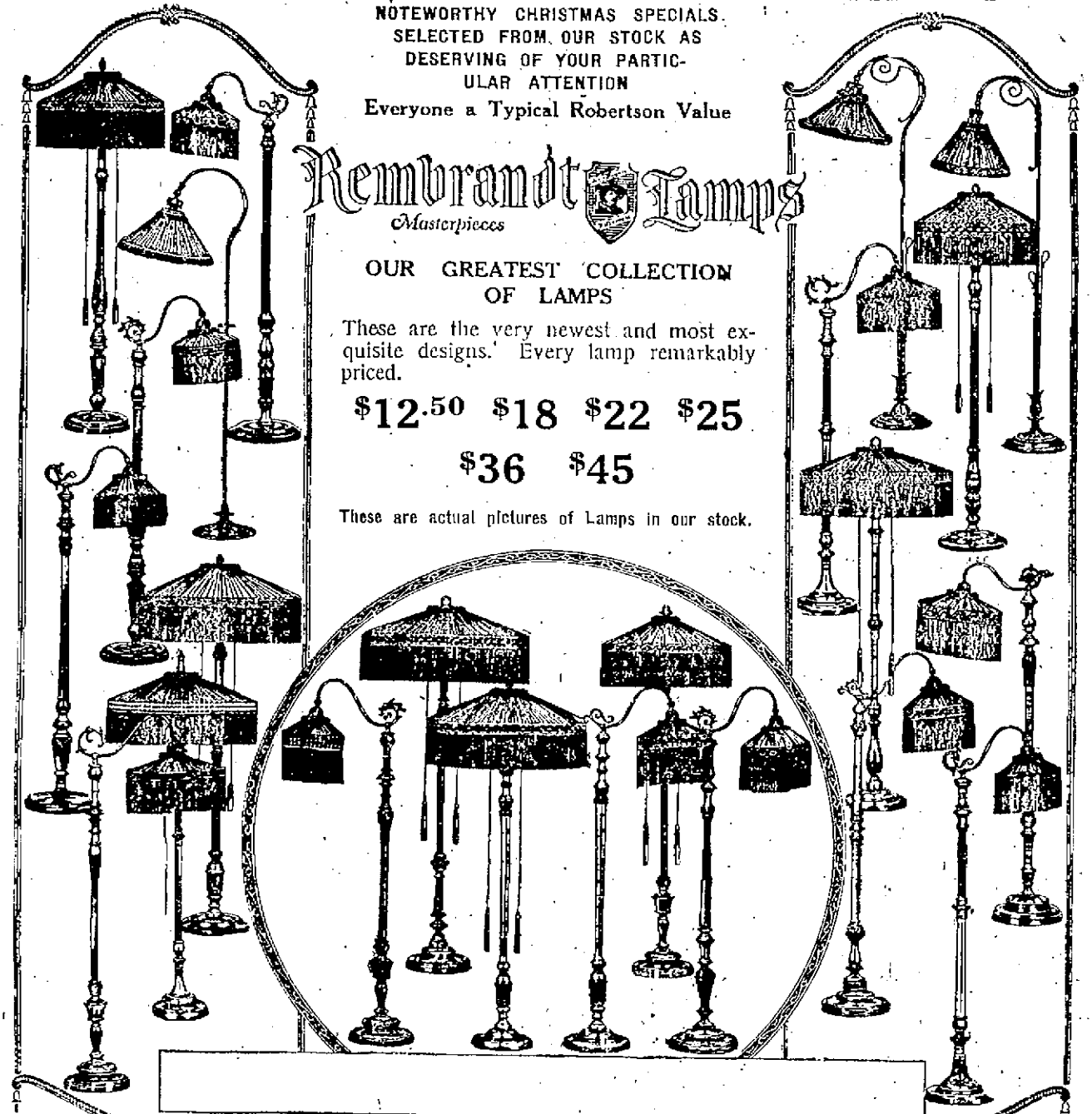
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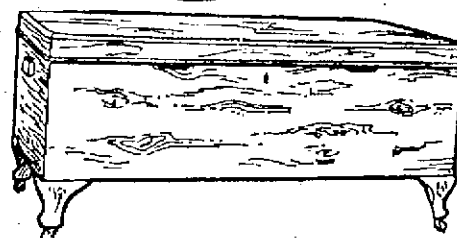


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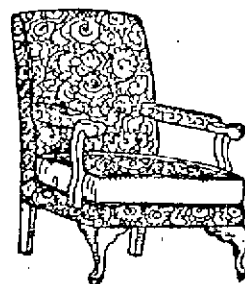
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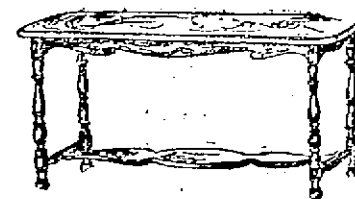
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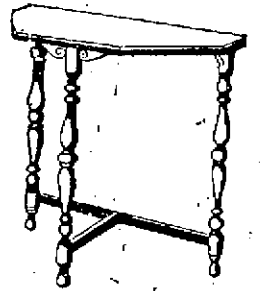
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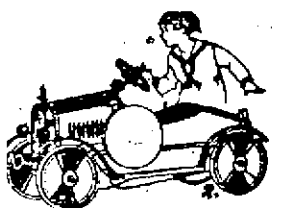
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We are featuring the smartest dresses for school girls at this price. Select one from this assortment. You will be making a pleasing and practical gift.

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In grey and brown mixtures, cut generously full, reinforced and with three button cuff at knee.

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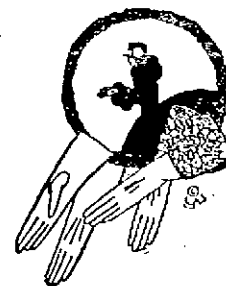
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MERCIER GIVEN LIFE

Found Guilty of Murder of His Wife—Life Sentence Imposed

PITTSFIELD, Dec. 19.—Louis P. Mercier last night was sentenced to life imprisonment by Judge William A. Burns after a jury of the superior court, which deliberated only an hour and a half, had found him guilty in the second degree of the murder of his wife, Eugenie, mother of their four children, by poison placed in a medicine bottle she was accustomed to use. Mercier took his sentence calmly. The state charged that Mercier stole the poison and brought it into his home. The defense claimed that Mercier took the acid poison to open a child's bank and that he warned his wife that he had placed it in the bottle.

OLD INMATE FIDDED AS OTHERS FLED FIRE

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—An old man, inmate with 154 others of building 7 at the west group of the Boston State hospital in Mattapan, added familiar lines while the others were being moved to safety during a fire which damaged the structure early today. The patients had opportunity to get in to their clothes, but Robert Anthony, an attendant, was nearly suffocated before he fled in his night clothing. The fire started in a clothes room from a cause still undetermined today. The loss was comparatively small.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE WAS "A GRAVEYARD"

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Ray T. Harkness, member of the transit commission testifying at Justice McAvoy's transit investigation today, said the city board of estimate was "a graveyard" for all communications sent it by the transit commission. "The board of estimate has not been in the habit of answering communications of the transit commission," he said. "Blame for the delayed construction of the proposed Ashland Place subway station in Brooklyn was put on the board of estimate by Mr. Harkness."

RAIN AND SLEET WRECK TRAFFIC SYSTEM

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Rain and sleet which fell throughout the night here caused a general disruption of the city's transportation system today and made it necessary for hundreds of persons to walk to work, despite a glaze of ice which covered sidewalks and streets. Ice-laden overhead wires caused the temporary abandonment of several car lines through the residential districts and heavy coatings of ice on tree limbs increased the danger for pedestrians. Several times during the forenoon power and lights in the city were shut off.

ANSWER TO PLEAS OF ABATEMENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The government submitted its answer today to the pleas in abatement in the cases against R. L. Doherty, E. L. Doherty, Jr., Albert B. Fall and Harry E. Sinclair, growing out of naval oil leasing. Argument was set up in supreme court of the District of Columbia for Jan. 9.

REPORT SCHOONER DRIVEN ASHORE

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—The coast guard cutter Acushnet was sent out to the island of No Man's Land, off Martha's Vineyard, early today on the report that a schooner had been driven ashore on the island in the thick fog prevailing during the night. The name of the distressed vessel and her condition were not known here. The coast guard crew at Gay Head, Martha's Vineyard, a few miles from No Man's Land, reported that they had heard nothing of a vessel ashore. The weather was still hazy today.



DANCES FOR CHARITY Gloria Gould Bishop as she will appear in a Spanish dance in New York for a benefit for the Child's Welfare Committee

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR MEN AND LITTLE MEN

HICKOK BELTS with initial buckles \$1, \$2 and \$3

Night Shirts and Pajamas in Cotton and Flannelette \$1.25 to \$4.95

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New styles, lined throughout, reinforced seams. Sizes 8 to 18
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\$1.95 to \$12.75
BOYS' OVERCOATS
Long, double-breasted styles, with storm collar, warm plaid-back materials, sizes 10 to 20.
\$8.45 to \$10.50
JUNIOR OVERCOATS
Becoming Styles for Little Boys
\$4.75 to \$12.50
BOYS' SAMPLE SWEATERS
Special \$4.95
All Wool Shaker Knit..... \$2.75 to \$3.95
Others..... \$1.45 to \$7.45



BOYS' SHEEPSKIN LINED COATS and MACKINAWS Sizes 8 to 18 \$6.95 to \$10.95

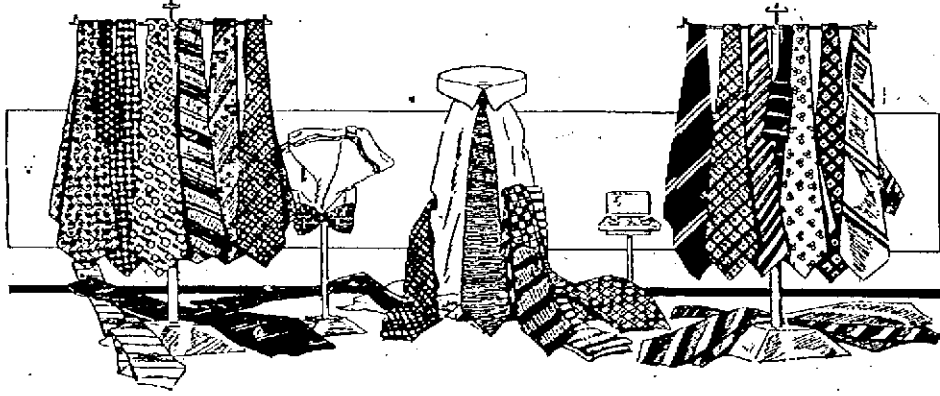
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In just the styles men enjoy wearing

PURE SILK— WEARPLUS—
SILK AND WOOL— 49c to \$2.50 CHENEY
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JUNIOR PLAY SUITS—Sizes 3 to 8 \$1.50

BOYS' SHIRTS

95c to \$1.75

Boys' Flannel Shirts..... \$1.45 to \$2.45
Boys' Blouses from..... 75c to \$1.45
Boys' Flannels Blouses..... 95c to \$1.75
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BOYS' NECKTIES Cut silk and knitted styles. 25c, 35c, 50c
BOYS' SPORT HOSE 39c to 95c
BOYS' BATHROBES Sizes 4 to 16 \$3.95
BOYS' PAJAMAS One or two pieces. Sizes 6 to 18. Heavy flannelette. \$1.45 to \$1.75
BOYS' BELTS 25c to 75c
BOYS' CAPS 85c to \$1.50

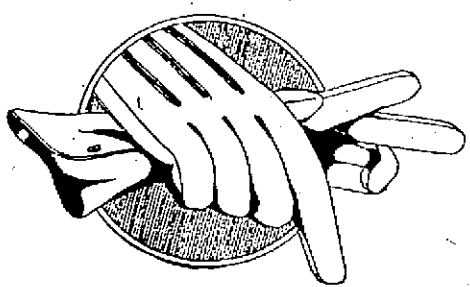
BATHROBES and HOUSE COATS

Faultlessly tailored, of high grade materials, every garment has that air of distinction so much appreciated by men of exacting taste.

Bathrobes.... \$4.50 to \$25.00 — House Coats.. \$5.95 to \$22.50

MEN'S XMAS HOSE
Lisle Hose, pair.... 25c and 39c
Cashmere and Heather, pair 50c
Fibre Silk, pair.... 39c and 50c
Silk and Wool.... 95c and \$1.25
Pure Silk, pair..... 95c to \$2.00

MUFFLERS FOR MEN
Brushed Wool Mufflers for \$1.00
Fine Scotch Plaid Cassimere Mufflers..... \$2.95
Other Mufflers at \$1.65 to \$9.00



WORK GLOVES AND MITTENS— In the Annex..... 10c to \$1.50

SPECIAL SALE OF MEN'S AND BOYS' GLOVES

— and — MITTENS

1-3 to 1-2 OFF
A Manufacturer's Sample Lot for WORK, DRESS AND DRIVING GLOVES 95c to \$4.95

MEN'S SWEATERS

Manufacturers' Samples \$5.95 Values \$8.00 to \$12.00

ALL WORSTED JACKETS

\$4.95

Tom Wye and Travelo Jackets \$7.50 to \$9.00

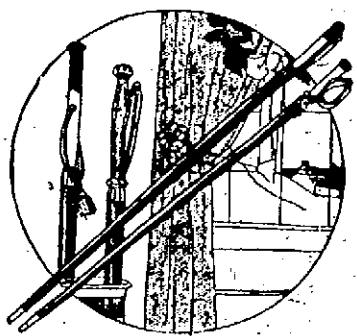


UMBRELLAS For Xmas Gifts

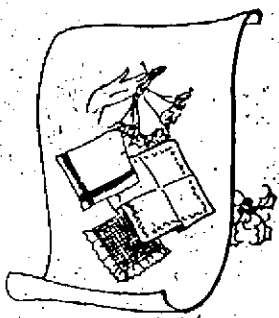
Ladies' Silk Umbrellas, latest handles, first quality..... \$3.45
Other Silk Umbrellas, in regular and Mah Jong lengths, 8 to 16 Ribs \$4.00 to \$10.00

GLORIA UMBRELLAS \$1.25 to \$5.00

COMBINATION SETS
Arm Bands, Suspenders, Carfers, Bow Ties and Belts
25c to \$3.00



Chalifoux's MEN'S and BOY'S SHOP



Handkerchiefs

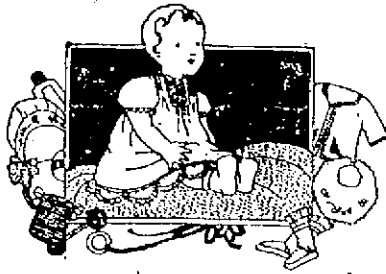
THE GIFT THAT IS SURE TO PLEASE
 Women's Hand Made Colored Linen Handkerchiefs, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50 each
 Women's Crepe de Chine Handkerchiefs, all shades, 35c and 50c each
 Women's Pongee Silk Handkerchiefs, hand made, Special, 50c each
 Men's Colored Initial Handkerchiefs, in three colors, orchid, tan and blue; 3 in a box, at \$1.00 box
 Boys' All White and Colored Border Handkerchiefs, 12 1/2c, 15c and 25c each
 Women's Lace Edge Handkerchiefs, special, 39c and 50c each
 Men's All Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, 35c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00 each
 Men's White Silk Handkerchiefs, with or without colored borders, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50 each
 Street Floor

Helpful Suggestions for Christmas Shoppers

SILK KNIT UNDERWEAR

FOR GIFTS

Silk Knickers, in flesh, orchid and peach, double cuff. Very special at \$2.19
 Silk Vests, in all the wanted shades, all sizes. Prices \$1.19 to \$2.98
 Bloomers and Step-ins to match—
 Bloomers \$1.69 to \$3.98
 Step-ins \$1.50 to \$3.98
 Silk Knickers, in all the desirable shades, including navy, taupe, sand, brown and others. Priced at \$2.98 and \$3.98
 Street Floor



Gifts for Children

Extra Heavy Brushed Wool Sets, 4 pieces, in white, peacock, taupe and buff \$5.00
 Children's Heavy Blanket Bathrobes, in snappy little patterns, light and dark shades, \$1.95 and \$2.95
 Children's 2 to 6 Panty Dresses, made of mercerized poplin, hand embroidered and trimmed with organdie \$2.95
 Wonderful Selection of Kiddies' Rompers, pink, blue, tan, green and cheeks, some solid colors and others with white tops, sizes 1, 2, 3, 4 \$1.00
 We Have a Complete Line of Cotton and Woolen Blankets and Carriage Robes, hand and machine made, satin and taffeta trimmed \$1.25 up to \$5.95
 Fur Carriage Robes, "Ice Land Lamb," in white and gray, just the right thing to keep baby warm \$7.50 to \$13.50
 Children's 2 to 6 Tuxedo and Slip-on Sweaters, brushed wool, shaker knit and fancy weaves \$1.49 up to \$3.95
 Guaranteed Twill Back Velvet Dresses, brown and blue, hand embroidered, plain and scalloped hem \$5.95
 Baby Buntlings, in white eiderdown and chin-chilla \$2.95, \$3.95 to \$5.95
 Second Floor

CANDY

Special for Christmas
 OUR REGULAR 40c
 "AMERICAN MIXTURE"
 23c Lb.

A Pure Wholesome Candy at Remarkably Low Price

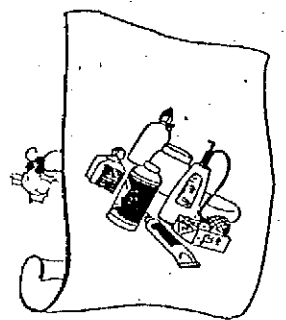
"BLUE BANNER"
 CHOCOLATES
 IN FANCY XMAS BOXES

A Very Special Assortment Attractively Priced

JEWELRY

The gift of enduring charm

Whiting & Davis Mesh Bags, \$1.49 to \$10.00
 Fountain Pen and Pencil Sets, \$3.98 and \$4.98
 Eversharp Pencil \$69c
 Ladies' Sterling Silver and Gold Pencils, 79c
 Cuff Links—Special \$1.00
 Stick Pins \$1.00 to \$4.98
 Sterling Silver Bar Pins—Set with all wanted colors of stones with safety clasp \$1.00
 Indestructible Pearls \$1.00 to \$15.00
 Cigarette Cases, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$2.98
 Bill Folds, 49c, \$1, \$2, \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50, \$3.98
 Children's Locket—Gold
 Children's Finger Rings—Gold and gold filled
 Children's Bracelets—Sterling and gold.
 Street Floor

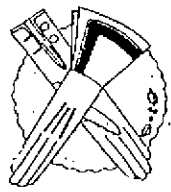


Toilet Goods

Gifts for Men and Women

Perfumes, imported and domestic, put up in attractive boxes 25c to \$10.50
 Toilet Waters, imported and domestic, put up in attractive boxes 50c to \$9.00
 Manicure Sets, Cutex-Hyglo-Melba, box, 50c to \$2.50
 Atomizer, all guaranteed 59c to \$10.00
 Manicure Roll-ups, in leather case, silk lined, amber, shell, pearl, ivory, \$2.49 to \$16.98
 Compact, powder and rouge 69c to \$3.50
 Toilet Sets, perfume, powder, toilet water, talcum, at 25c to \$12.50
 This includes Hudnut's, Piver's, Djer-Kiss, Melba, Coty's, Woodworth's, Colgate's.
 Bath Salts, in all the new odors, 75c to \$6.50
 Military Brushes, ivory, shell, ivory and shell, ivory and amber and ebony. These are all boxed in leatherette or satin lined boxes, \$1.79 to \$16.98
 Incense and Incense Burners 25c to \$2.98
 Ivory Pyralis, plain, Dubarry, amber and two-tone. A complete line 39c to \$8.49
 Sets from 3 to 18 Pieces in Amber—Two-tone and ivory \$7.98 to \$65.00
 STATIONERY—Attractively Boxed
 Cards 50c to \$1.00
 Double Correspondence Cards—White and colors 69c
 Boxed Stationery, in all new shades, 79c to \$2.25
 Street Floor

THOUGHTFUL FOLK ARE GIVING Gloves!



Ladies' Two-Clasp Kid Gloves, with heavy embroidered backs, self and contrasting stitching; colors, gray, brown, tan, black and white, white and black \$2.00 pair
 Ladies' Strap Wrist Gloves, colors, gray, brown, beaver, mode, black and white, heavy embroidered backs \$2.98 pair
 Ladies' Mocha Gloves, gray and tan, self embroidered backs \$3.49 pair
 Children's Fleece Lined Suede and Cape Skin Gloves, colors, tan and brown \$1.29 pair
 Street Floor

SILVERWARE

Silverware Makes a Very Practical GIFT FOR THE HOME

26-Piece Chest of Sheffield Silver, consisting of 6 Knives, 6 Forks, 6 Tablespoons, 6 Teaspoons, Sugar Shell and Butter Knife, value \$7.98. Special \$4.98
 Rogers' 1881 26-Piece Set of Silver, consisting of 6 Knives, 6 Forks, 6 Teaspoons, 6 Tablespoons, Sugar Shell and Butter Knife, put up in nicely lined mahogany chest; value \$16.00. Special at \$10.98
 Rogers' Individual Salt and Pepper Shakers, 6 in a set, in satin lined box; value \$2.50. Special at \$1.98
 Street Floor

WOMEN'S and MISSES' FUR TRIMMED COATS

At Bargain Prices

\$18.75 \$25.00 \$32.50
 Values from \$29.50 to \$49.50

All new styles and colors are represented, beautiful Pile and Suede Fabrics, trimmed with Marmink, Squirrel, Bay Squirrel, Opasum, Sealine and Mandel.

LUXURIOUS FUR COATS

Specially Priced
 MUSKRAT COATS, \$87.50
 Fine selected pelts
 NORTHERN SEAL, plain and squirrel trimmed \$97.50
 Other Wonderful Values up to \$400
 Second Floor



Dainty Silk Underwear THE INTIMATE GIFT



Princess Slips—Of tricoshan, in several different shades, with contrasting flounce \$1.95
 Chemise, Radium silk or crepe de chine, in plain styles, or with dainty lace trimmings \$2.95 each

Bloomers, in peach, orchid, white or flesh, made of a fine quality crepe de chine or radium silk, with or without lace trimmings \$2.95 each

Gowns, in all the wanted colors, of radium silk or crepe de chine, some with beautiful lace, or crochet trimming, some plain tailored styles, others with new flout work, \$4.95 and up to \$9.95

Step-ins, of pure silk crepe de chine, with lace trimmings. Colors, white, flesh, peach and orchid \$1.95 and \$2.95
 Chemise, fashioned of pure silk crepe de chine, or radium silk with trimmings of Irish crochet. Pilet and embroidery. Also plain tailored styles \$3.95 and \$4.95
 Second Floor Annex

LINENS

The most practical of all gifts

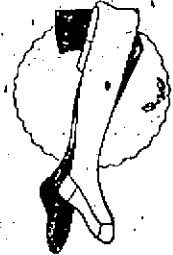
Embroidered Pillow Cases, beautifully embroidered patterns with motif and medallion insertions. Finest quality, 98c to \$2.49 pair
 Pure Linen Dinner Sets, consisting of 72-inch hemstitched cloth and one-half dozen napkins to match. Three patterns \$5.49 set
 Extra Large Size Jacquard Turkish Towels—Heavy double thread. Blue, rose and orchid. Past color borders \$1.15 each
 Fancy Jacquard Bath Towels—Good size, all perfect. The best value for \$5.95 each
 Boxed Turkish Towel Sets, some have Chinese silk colored borders, others fast color shell edge. A large assortment to select from, 50c to \$1.75 set
 Street Floor



Hosiery

The Supreme Gift

Pure Thread Silk Hosiery, full fashioned, reinforced hile feet, high spliced heels, elastic garter tops, black, nude, airdale, neutral grey, new tan, beige and cordovan, Gordon and Flemingway makes \$1.95



All Silk "Onyx" Stockings, full fashioned, all silk to the top, popular "Pointex" heel, lace clox in a variety of attractive patterns \$2.95
 Street Floor

Grocery Dept.

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

Heinz Plum and Fig Pudding, Small, 18c; Medium, 35c; Large, 66c
 National Plum Pudding, medium can 32c
 Fancy No. 1 Mixed Nuts, lb. 28c
 California Soft Shells, lb. 35c
 Fancy Walnuts, lb. 30c
 Fancy Stuffed Olives, 9 oz. jar 27c
 Heinz Mince Meat, 1-lb. tin can 24c
 Not-a-Seed Raisins, pkg. 10c
 Grandmother Mince Meat, pkg. 13c
 Fancy Currants, pkg. 16c
 Fancy Seeded and Seedless Raisins, 15-oz. pkg. 11c
 Fancy Malaga Cluster Raisins, lb. 35c
 Sun-Maid Cluster Raisins, lb. 15c
 Baker's and Foss' Vanilla, bottle 28c
 Lemon and Orange Peel, 1/4-lb. pkg. 15c
 White Horse Coffee, 1-lb. pkg. 50c
 Shelled Walnuts, in glass jar 30c
 Shelled Walnuts, in 1/2-lb. tin can 39c
 Basement

SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY

Gloria Swanson HATS \$1.50



Good quality felt in Sand, Henna, Cranberry, Copen, Black, Red and Brown.

Second Floor

Commencing Saturday This Store Will Be Open from

9 a. m. to 9 p. m. until Christmas

CHRISTMAS CLUB CHECKS ACCEPTED AS CASH

Gift Suggestions from the Bargain Basement WOMEN'S AND MISSES'

Bathrobes \$2.95



One thousand Satin or Ribbon Trimmed Bathrobes, made of the famous Beacon and Lawrence Blankets. Many desirable patterns on medium or dark grounds. All are cut full size, perfect in every way and splendidly finished throughout. Regular and out sizes, 36-52.
 New Crepe Gowns—Plain and floral patterns \$1.00
 Fancy Cretonne Fudge Aprons, pretty patterns 59c, \$1.19
 Gowns, of Silk and Lingette, \$1.79

New House Dresses, of Colton serge, all pretty colored checks, with flannel cuffs and collar \$1.95

The Curtain Shop OFFERS

Velour Pillows

As Illustrated



Special at \$1.00

A wonderful gift, inexpressively priced. Good size, well filled, with tapestry centers, edged with gilt braid, cotton sateen backs, wanted colors.

Also Square and Oblong Pillows \$1.49 to \$3.98
 Third Floor

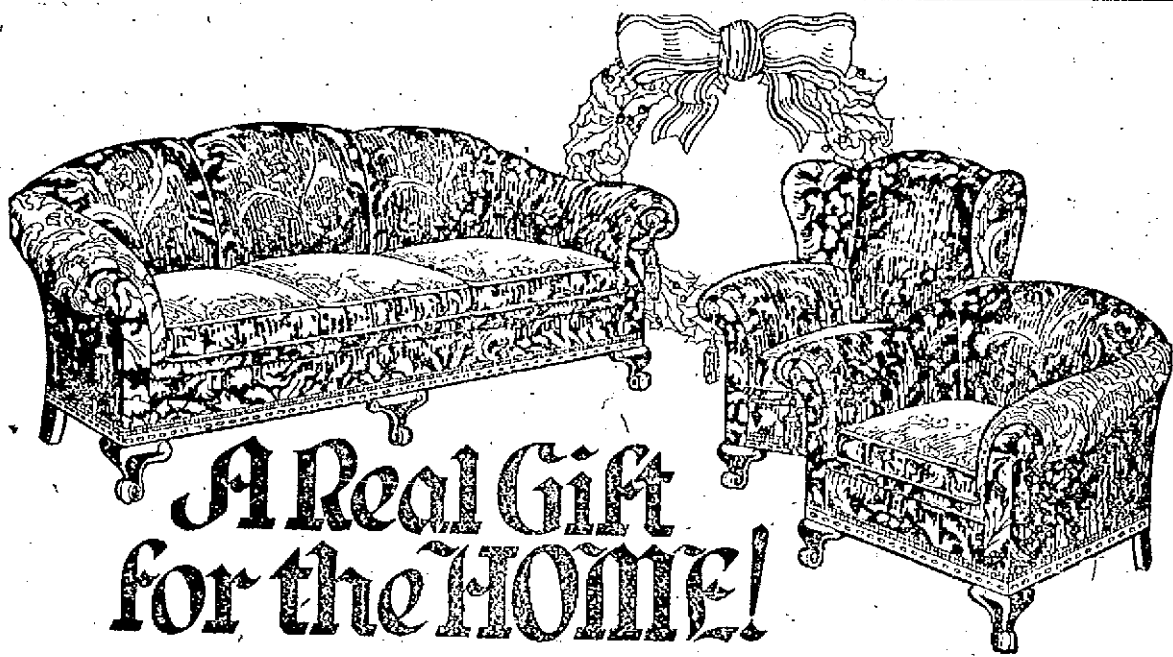
IN THE BASEMENT SHOE DEPT.

Just Arrived! Another Lot of Those Popular 1-BUCKLE OVERSHOES \$1.00

For Boys, Misses, Women and Children.

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A Real Gift for the HOME!

Make this the happiest Christmas ever for your family by adding a wonderful New Living Room Suite that all can take pride in and enjoy to the fullest! Included in this special offer is a luxurious Davenport, Arm Chair and Wing-back Chair, covered in a delightful new velvet design, with spring cushions and very comfortable roll arms. The ideal gift for the home at our special price of

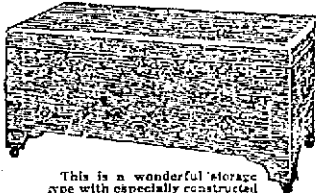
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MARTHA WASHINGTON SEWING CABINETS \$24



Solid mahogany, Tudor finish, Grand Rapids make and quality.

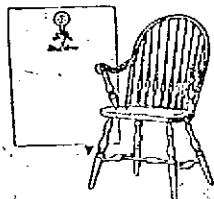
CEDAR CHEST SPECIAL \$25



This is a wonderful storage chest with especially constructed lid and rounded corners. Like all LANE Chests it is moth, dust, and damp proof.

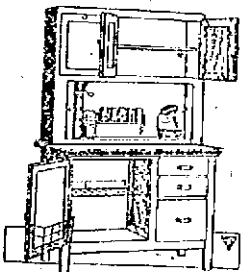
Others \$10 to \$60

WINDSOR CHAIR \$9.95



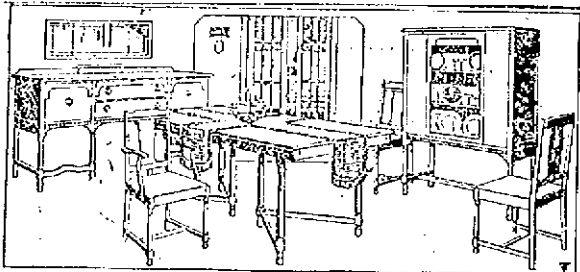
The type of chair that is seen so much in the newer, most tastefully decorated homes. Beautifully finished in mahogany.

"SELLERS" KITCHEN CABINET \$45



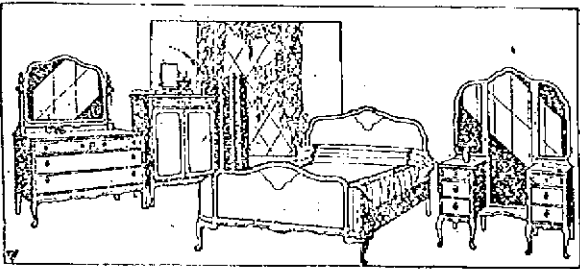
The cabinet with the 15 famous features, set of dishes given with Christmas Cabinets. Easy terms.

Beautiful 9-Piece DINING ROOM SUITES \$149



You'll be pleased when you find what handsome suites you can secure for such a small outlay! There's an oblong table that extends to full 6-foot length, 60-inch buffet, china closet, five chairs and a host chair, in combination walnut, for only \$149.

A Splendid Gift! Four Pieces \$165



Values like these will make your Christmas giving a pleasure! Included in this wonderful offering is a full-size box-end bed, handsome triple-mirrored full vanity, chiffonette, and dresser, in a most attractive design and finished in beautiful walnut, \$165.

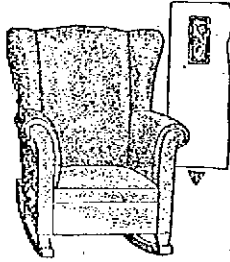


RUGS

ALL THAT'S NEW AND BEAUTIFUL IN 9x12 WIL- TONS, as low as... **\$52.50**

These attractive rugs make an unsurpassed Christmas gift for the home. You'll find a wonderful assortment of the newest patterns and colorings, in all grades, to select from at special low prices.

GENUINE LEATHER ROCKER \$19.98



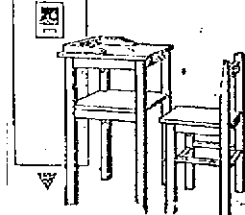
Genuine brown Spanish leather, deep, roomy seat and high back back. A bargain!

DOLL CARRIAGE \$6.50



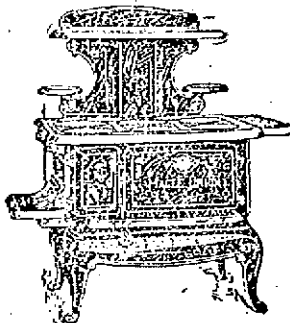
Close woven fibre reed, long handle and brake. Others \$3.50 to \$18

TELEPHONE TABLE AND CHAIR \$6.75



Useful and attractive, finished in mahogany. Just a few—hurry!

MAGEE RANGE \$75



Join our Christmas Magee Range Club. Easy Terms. A combination Wear-Ever Windsor Kettle, consisting of four pieces, given with every range.

LOWELL TEXTILE SCHOOL PARTIES

Christmas parties were conducted by two fraternities of the Lowell Textile school in the fraternity houses last evening, after which the two joined together and enjoyed dancing at the Commodore.

Beta chapter, Delta Kappa Phi, celebrated the Yuletide with a party at its home, 115 Mt. Vernon street, at which were present, active and past members and members of the school faculty. Byron Bentley, football captain, was "Santa Claus" and distributed gifts to the persons present, after which an entertainment program was given.

At the home of Omicron Psi fraternity at Pavlovsk and Wamsanett streets, a similar party was held and was enjoyed by a large number of active and past members.

CHRISTMAS TREE IN CHURCH VESTRY

Annual Christmas tree festivities were conducted in the vestry of Calvary Baptist church last evening, the program being prepared for the entertainment of younger members of the school in the large Junior and Intermediate Sunday school rooms. It was the merriest Yuletide party imaginable, with an excellent entertainment provided for the young folks and the usual gifts of useful articles, candy, etc.

A happy feature of the entertainment program was a delightful pantomime with music, "Mother Goose's Visit to Santa Claus," in which more than 40 boys and girls took part. Miss Florence Loring directed the production in excellent fashion. Miss Carle

Stewart had charge of the very effective costuming, and Miss Ruth Munson, leader of the Campfire Girls, attended to the decorative work. The society was instituted by Charles E. Thurston and Albert W. Phinney.

Among the many guests was the new pastor, Rev. Wallace C. Sampson and Mrs. Sampson who received many beautiful gifts of esteem.

LIVING WITHIN ITS APPROPRIATION

For the first time in several years, the police department will not exceed its appropriation, which for 1924 was \$355,652.88. Acting Supt. Hugh Downey said today. This is due, he added, to strict economy within the department.

MONROE'S TUXEDOS



\$25

Silk Lined

TUXEDOS

EVENING clothes are no longer the luxury of the few. They have become the every day necessity of the majority.

At our price no man need deny himself the pleasure of adding this suit to his wardrobe.

This new distinctively smart silk-lined Tuxedo is the sort you instantly take to—tailored with infinite care and styled according to the fancies of the better dressed men.

2-PANTS SUITS

Cheviots Herringbones
Tweeds Cassimeres
Pencil Stripes Worsted
Mixtures Checks
Serges Flannels

OVERCOATS

Great Coats Dress Coats
Form-fitting Chesterfields
Double-breasteds Box Coats
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102 CENTRAL STREET

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WILL ADDRESS

SCHOOL MEETING

Miss Mary E. Tobin, president of the Lowell Teachers' Organization will be the speaker before the Greenhedge Parent Teachers' association at its next meeting to be held January 3 at 4 p. m. Miss Tobin, who has had much experience with children as a teacher and as student advisor at the high school will give an interesting talk on children and school life in general and it is expected that a large number of parents will be in attendance.

The work of the Greenhedge association has covered an extensive program during the past four years and elaborate plans are being made for the coming year. As has been the custom the association will distribute

baskets of food to the needy poor at Christmas.

For February the association plans an elaborate program of dance, music and instrumental selections. The program for the coming months are equally as interesting as the Christmas ones and it is the desire of the executive board that as many as are able will attend the meetings during the coming year.

SANTA CLAUS GUEST OF LA VICTOIRE CLUB

The regular meeting of La Victoire club, held in Notre Dame de Lourdes parish hall last evening, took the form of a Christmas party and several members and guests entertained Santa Claus, who spent part of the evening with the members.

A tree prettily arranged for the occasion was placed in the center of the room and was laden with Christmas remembrances and favors. The entire hall was a mass of red and green streamers arranged in novel designs.

Among the guests of honor at the evening were Rev. Joseph Denis, O.M.I., pastor of Notre Dame de Lourdes parish; Rev. Louis Brassard, O.M.I., and Rev. Charles A. Piquette, O.M.I.

An entertainment program was also given by Miss Alice St. Pierre, popular local violinist; Miss Grace Tremblay, pianist and Miss Sadie Malenfant, vocalist. Selections appropriate to the occasion were rendered as well as popular compositions.

Many relics of the bronze age and of the period of the Roman occupation have been brought to light by excavations at Stonehenge in England.

CIGARS

If you want to make the smoker happy, you give him something that enters to his pleasure—THAT'S a box of cigars. We will gladly help ladies select cigars, so they will be sure to make the proper cigar gifts to the "proper" boys. Boxes of all sizes, 10, 25 to 50 cigars.

Webster's Drug Stores

TWO STORES
High St., Cor. Andover St.
(Belvidere)
Bridge St., Cor. Third St.
(Centralville)

WILL BROADCAST MUSICAL PROGRAM

Through radio station WEEI, Ed-Ed Light, Boston, next Sunday evening will be broadcast a program of exceptionally fine musical numbers by Boston's leading soloists and musicians.

The program is the third of a series arranged by the W. S. Quincy company for the entertainment of lovers of "best" music, and will begin at 8:30 o'clock.

The program follows:
Overture, H. Guarany, by Gomez.
Played by the Vannini Symphony ensemble.

Aria, Una Partita Lacrima, from L'Elisir d'Amore, by Dezzotti.
Sung by Mr. William Hicks, tenor.
Wagnerian, by Wagner-Merona.
Played by the Vannini Symphony ensemble.

Aria, Sufeldio, from La Gioconda, by Ponchelli.
Sung by Mme. Georges Mager, soprano.

A Night in Seville, by Albeniz.
Played by the Vannini Symphony ensemble.

Reclining Aria, Comfort Ye Every Valley, from Messiah, by Handel.
Sung by Mr. William Hicks, tenor.

Yalse, Children of Vienna, by Komzak.
Played by the Vannini Symphony ensemble.

Arie, Pienaz mes yepix, from Le Cid, by Massenet.
Sung by Mme. Georges Mager, soprano.

Hungarian Rhapsody No. 1, by Liszt.
Played by the Vannini Symphony ensemble.

HELD THEIR ANNUAL DANCING PARTY

The Oval A.A., formerly the Princeton A.A., entertained numerous members and guests at its third annual dancing party in Colonial hall last evening. William Martin acted as general director last evening; James Carroll, assistant general manager; Frank Logan, floor director; T. Parker Doyle, assistant floor director; John Gillette, chief aid, assisted by club members.

The officers of the organization are: President, William F. Martin; vice-president, John Gillette; treasurer, James Logan; recording secretary, Clarence Green; financial secretary, Frank Gillette; trustees, Owen Norrey, James Carroll, T. P. Doyle and R. Chisholm.

RADIO BROADCASTS

WNAC, BOSTON
6 p. m.—Children's half-hour stories and music. Mrs. William H. Stewart.
6:30 p. m.—WNAC dinner dance, broadcast from Checker Inn.
7:35 p. m.—The Business of Running a Home.
7:45 p. m.—Ellene's orchestra and choir.
8:30 p. m.—Warren trio and assisting artists.
9:30 p. m.—Gladys G. Chase, soprano soloist.

WEEI, BOSTON
4:30 p. m.—Dok-Eisenbach's Story-telling.
7 p. m.—Boston Edison Big Brother club.
7:30 p. m.—A Few Minutes with Santa Claus.
7:45 p. m.—M. Kronenberg interviewed by Ray Meyers.
8 p. m.—Program of instrumental and vocal selections.
8:30 p. m.—Sport. Percy Redfern Creed, Sportsmanship.
9 p. m.—Burns & Poran—clog steps.

WBZ, SPRINGFIELD
6 p. m.—Dinner concert by the West-hampshire Philharmonic trio.
7 p. m.—Bedtime story for the kiddies.
7:15 p. m.—Current book review.
7:30 p. m.—Lesson of a course in Musical Appreciation, Prof. Stuart Munson.
8:55 p. m.—Arlington time signals, official United States weather reports.
10 p. m.—Concert by Bessie M. O'Connell, soprano; Lillian C. Kivlan, pianist and accompanist.
10:30 p. m.—George D. Post, Hawaiian steel guitar.
10:45 p. m.—John Doherty, the man who plays and sings.

WEAF, NEW YORK
4 p. m.—Musical program.
4:40 p. m.—Indian Stories, by Princess Chingulilla.
6 p. m.—Dinner music.
7 p. m.—Musical program.
7:30 p. m.—Sir Hobgoblin Tunes in for Christmas, by Blanche Elizabeth Wade.
7:45 p. m.—Zona Male Griswold, soprano.
8 p. m.—The Happiest Candy Boys.
8:30 p. m.—Concert by the United States Navy band.
10 p. m.—Thomas Morris, Jr., baritone.
10:10 p. m.—Jascha Fishberg String quartet.
10:25 p. m.—Thomas Morris, Jr., baritone.
11:15 p. m.—Jascha Fishberg String quartet.
11:15 p. m.—Meyer Davis' Palm Beach orchestra.

WHAS, LOUISVILLE
5 p. m.—Selections by the Alamo Theatre orchestra; police bulletin; weather forecast; selected Courier-Journal and Louisville Times editorials.
5:55 p. m.—Local livestock, produce and grain market reports.
6 p. m.—Official Central Standard time announced.
8:30 p. m.—Concert by Louisville and Jefferson County Children's Home Glee club. Late important reports, bulletins. Official Central standard time announced at 10 o'clock.

KYW, CHICAGO
7:02 p. m.—News, financial and local markets.
7:35 p. m.—Children's bedtime story.
8 p. m.—Jascha Fishberg's orchestra.
8:10 p. m.—Con-Sanders' Original Nighthawks.
8:20 p. m.—Joska Dellabary's orchestra.
8:30 p. m.—Program broadcast from KYW studio.
9 p. m.—Spangles.
10 p. m.—Midnight revue.
12 m.—Midnight revue.

WOO, PHILADELPHIA
5:10 p. m.—Sports results and police reports.
5:15 p. m.—Grand organ, trumpets.
7:30 p. m.—Sports results and police reports.
7:45 p. m.—Dinner music by A. Candelieri Hotel Philadelphia French room orchestra.
8:20 p. m.—Studio program from the Fox Theatre.
9:10 p. m.—The Christ Child, liturgical song by the North Frankfort chorus. Dorothy Warhurst, soprano; Lucy V. Graham, contralto; William H. Wilson, tenor; Charles H. Dunham, baritone; Jane P. Why, accompanist.
9:55 p. m.—United States naval observatory time signal.
10:02 p. m.—United States weather forecast.
10:03 p. m.—Grand organ recital. Harriette G. Riddle, assisted by the Central choir.
10:30 p. m.—Dance program by Vincent Rizzo Hotel Sylvania orchestra.

KDIX, PITTSBURGH
6:30 p. m.—Concert by the Hotel Schenley Meyer Davis orchestra.
7:10 p. m.—Livestock reports of the primary livestock and wholesale produce markets.
7:45 p. m.—Monthly book review.
8 p. m.—Mayer.
8:55 p. m.—Arlington time signals. Weather forecast.

WAHC, LONG ISLAND
8 p. m.—Del Sol Society orchestra.
8 p. m.—Dorothy Waldo Phillips, reader.
8:30 p. m.—Gene O'Sullivan, Irish tenor.
8:45 p. m.—Norman Curtis, pianist.
9 p. m.—WAHC Radio Santa Claus.
9:15 p. m.—Miss Gladys Armellini, lyric soprano.
9:30 p. m.—Earl Hooker, Eaton, Canadian tenor.
9:45 p. m.—Gene O'Sullivan, Irish tenor.
10 p. m.—Dorothy Waldo Phillips, reader.
10:15 p. m.—Norman Curtis, pianist.
10:30 p. m.—Miss Gladys Armellini, lyric soprano.
10:45 p. m.—Gene Neapolitan orchestra.

WTAM, CLEVELAND
6 to 7 p. m.—Willard Studio. Dinner dance program by Guy Lombardo and his Royal Canadians.

WEBB, CHICAGO
8 p. m.—Edgewater Beach Oricle orchestra, concert musical bits from Edison & Kutz Riviera theatre.
10 p. m.—Edgewater Beach Oricle orchestra, dance selections, Frederick Akard, tenor; Rita McFawn, soprano.
10:30 p. m.—Edgewater Beach Oricle orchestra, dance selections; Three Musketeers, songs; Sandy Mack, tenor.

WGY, SCHENECTADY, N. Y.
6 p. m.—Produce and stock market quotations; news bulletin.
6:30 p. m.—Stories for children.
7 p. m.—International Sunday school lesson.
7:15 p. m.—Health talk; WGY orchestra.
8 p. m.—Religious influence in Colleges, Warren C. Taylor.
8:15 p. m.—Dickens Christmas Carol, read by Edward H. Smith; WGY orchestra.

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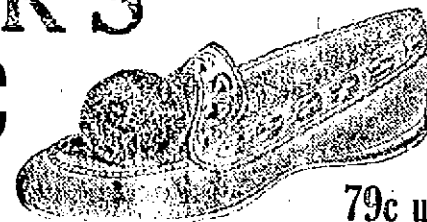
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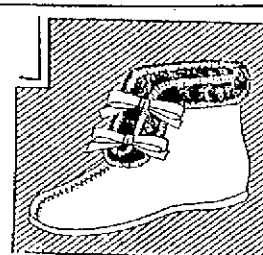
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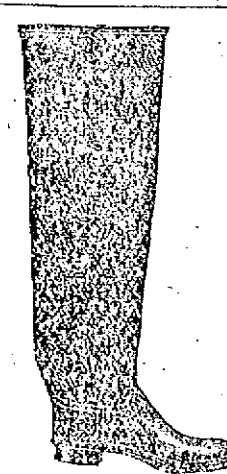
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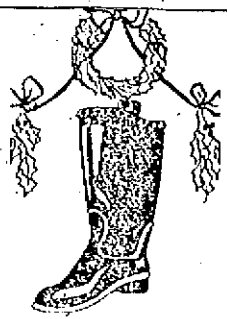
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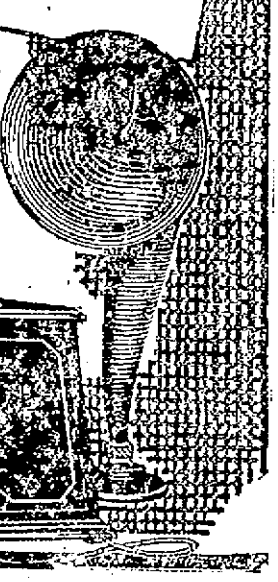
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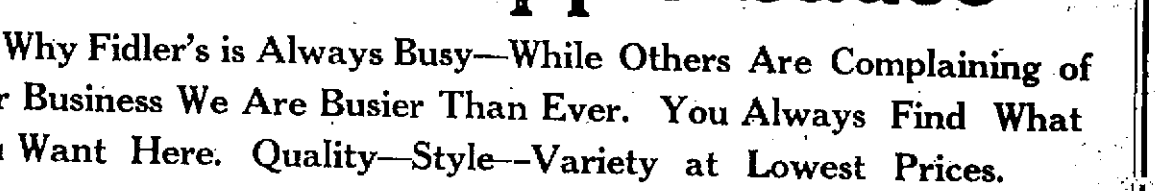
The December issue of the High School Review went on sale yesterday morning, containing the latest news to pupils and adults interested in the school. There are the usual departments, including social, exchanges, knocks and jokes.

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AN OUTRAGEOUS AFFAIR

If the reports of what happened Tuesday night to a motor party on route from Newburyport to Portsmouth, N. H., be true, then the federal officers who figured in the affray committed an outrage that from every standpoint is inexcusable, and an unpardonable assault upon the liberties of unoffending citizens.

Two young men were driving their lady friends to attend a dance, when on a dark and lonely part of the highway, they were suddenly ordered to stop. Naturally they thought they were face to face with holdup men and instead of obeying the order, they put on full speed and soon were made the target for a fusillade of bullets as they sped before a pursuing auto. Of course, the shots fired tended to confirm their belief that they were being chased by gunmen. But their pursuers driving a fast motor car, soon caught up with them and cut in in front of their auto, so that a collision resulted. The car occupied by the intending dancers turned turtle and was wrecked, the occupants suffering more or less serious injuries.

Who is responsible for the damages? Are law-abiding citizens to be subjected to such attacks on the public highways on the plea that the prohibition officers want to search a passing auto for liquor? If federal or other officers want to overhaul any auto party in such a case, they should first make their identity known. Since when has the law ordained that any party must halt on a public highway in response to a call out of the darkness and await the result, whether the call comes from gunmen or officers of the law? The parties hailed have no means of knowing the identity of those who demand them to halt; and hence for their own safety they are fully justified in speeding ahead. That particular case is a type of the unwarranted methods adopted by some of the officers who are engaged in the enforcement of the liquor law.

The occurrence of Tuesday night, shows that such methods are a menace to innocent parties. We have no sympathy with bootleggers, but the officers in trying to catch them must not endanger the lives of law-abiding citizens. Officers who would commit such an offense are violating the law quite as much as the bootleggers they are trying to suppress.

BEWARE OF XMAS HOOD

We are now face to face with the season for Christmas hood. Unable to obtain real liquor to meet the demand, certain unscrupulous bootleggers are sure to get out some alcohol to compound and offer it for sale to those who are foolish enough to purchase it, and worse still to risk their lives by drinking it.

We are informed that denatured alcohol which is specially treated to make it unfit for beverage purposes, is being used in compounding hood for Christmas. The increased sale of this particular kind of alcohol can be explained in no other way.

This sale would certainly indicate great need of caution on the part of those who purchase hood around the holidays. Already several deaths have resulted from the use of such stuff in Boston, and in New York 29 deaths have already been reported as a result of drinking poisonous liquor. It is quite probable that some of the stuff will reach New England, and that a connection equally poisonous may be made in Boston for general distribution.

For the last two years unscrupulous parties had no difficulty in selling a deadly compound of wood alcohol around the Christmas holidays. Not many, it is true, would resort to this extreme, as it means death for those who drink the stuff; but in view of the fact that already some very dangerous hood is being sold here, it can only be said that those who drink it are taking very serious chances of getting into the hands of an undertaker. It is plain that the man who takes a serious risk of falling victim to poison may kill him in a few hours. Some of the victims already sent to Boston hospitals are said to be raving maniacs.

HONORING A DUCHESS

It does seem rather strange that the social 100 in New York should have tumbled over one another to honor the Grand Duchess Cyril, posing as "Ezarina of all the Russias." She was in reality tendered the freedom of the city as she was welcomed at the best hotel and "royally" entertained without charge. The homage paid her was not consistent with the spirit of Americanism and our opposition to "titled nobility." If this lady were really the exarina of all the Russias, this greivance at her feet would be contemptible; but much more so is it now that she is only a pretender, living, posing and, it might be said, "imposing" upon society gullibles under assumed titles in which she has no right, either by birth or heritage. But even if she were all she claims to be, that would not justify the social honors paid her by the elite of society in New York. But perhaps she was used only as a drawing card by some of the hotels for their financial benefit. If Hoxaster Dukes were alive, he might dress up some female imitator of the Hoxaster and have her passed off as the Grand Duchess of Moscow, Uncle descendant of Carl Marx and wife of the exiled Leon Trotsky to be feted and lavishly entertained by the crust of society in New York.

MUSCLE SHOALS FIGHT

Senator Norris charges a secret understanding with the administration by which the Muscle Shoals plant is to be turned over to a great power trust. We do not believe that either President Coolidge or Senator Underwood, the author of the bill under which the plant would be leased for private operation, would be a party to any such deal as Senator Norris insinuates was reached in a recent conference with the president aboard the Mayflower. The fact is that there will be criticism, no matter how the Muscle Shoals plant is disposed of. The offer of Henry Ford was floated until withdrawn, and now the plan to lease the plant under proper guarantee is equally condemned. Senator Norris has a bill before congress, providing for government ownership, and is naturally chagrined because the measure is rejected while the Underwood bill is favored. He says if the plan now favored is adopted, it will make the Tenpot Dome deal look like a pinhead. This statement was made in the heat of debate and should be taken with a grain of salt. The country may well have a sigh of relief when the Muscle Shoals question is settled.

SEEN AND HEARD

It isn't always the able man who gets ahead. A fool may have a faster car.

The way it works out is this: The more time-saving devices a race accumulator has, the less leisure.

Scientist says that in a hundred years there will be nothing in the world to laugh at. Won't there be any scientists?

"I have always found joy in hard work," says a steel manufacturer, who also receives an annual salary of \$150,000.

A Thought

Man believes himself always greater than he is, and is esteemed less than he is worth.—Gosche.

Using the Old Man

The New Hampshire department of motor vehicles has adopted the "Old Man of the Mountain" for use on automobile registration plates as a distinguishing mark for New Hampshire motorists in the future.

Perfumed Subway

A perfumed subway will be the latest boast of Paris, according to a declaration of the directors. Following hundreds of protests of bad air and disagreeable odors, the underground line has decided to install a hygienic apparatus in stations and cars, giving off a delicious fragrance.

Caught in the Act

A Cleveland, O., student now knows his landlady has a sweet tooth. He has a couple of live frogs in a securely closed, tightly sealed, candy box, which he intended to take to the biology laboratory, but forgot. When he returned for the frogs he found the box open and his landlady half under the bed trying to capture them.

Found a Witness

The American was drawing the long bow. "On one occasion," he said, "I shot 999 birds." The Englishman determined not to be outdone began to tell a story of a man who swam from Liverpool to New York. "Did you see him," he asked, "I saw him." "Why, yes, of course," the American across the water and our vessel passed him a mile outside New York harbor. "Well," was the retort, "I might say you saw him, because you're a witness that I did it. I was that swimmer!"

New Resume Stunt

Early one morning John Flaherty was strolling on a stringpiece at Old Slip, New York. "Just getting the air," as he later explained—when he caught sight of a man struggling in the water below. He promptly dived in. Officer Maher heard the splash, ran up and threw a line to him. Flaherty splutteringly protested that the policeman was interfering with a rescue, but Maher assured him, dragged him out and set about convincing Flaherty that the "man" he sought to rescue was Flaherty's own shadow from a pier light.

No Grace Required

Mother was very careful indeed about the upbringing of her little son Tommy. Tommy, particularly careful was she about the matter of grace and she always made a point of keeping him up to the scratch in this respect. It made no difference to her rule even when they had lunch or tea at a restaurant. After a short time ago after the waiter had served the tea, mother said to Tommy: "Now, Tommy, grace, please, Tommy." Tommy looked up in surprise. "But, mamma," objected the small boy, "we're paying for this, aren't we?"

His Parting Shot

A minor actor was cast in a play in which he had to say in answer to a suggestion, "I have no doubts." Those four words were all he had to speak, but the mastery of the Scottish accents was beyond the abilities of the geeky actor engaged for the part. Nearly every artist in the piece, not to mention the author and the producer, tried coaching him, but all in vain, and at last the stage manager told him that he would have to find somebody else in his place. Turning his coat collar up and making for the stage door, he fired a parting shot with an air of fine contempt, "Lammie!" he said. "You want a Harry Lauder for your 30 bobs a week!"

He Compromised

At country horse fairs one can usually find the biggest collection of rubbish in the way of horsethief's imagination. Nags of all shapes and sizes are displayed for sale, but to find a really good animal—well, that is almost impossible. One of these fairs, recently a buyer purchased from a dealer three horses for the ridiculous sum of \$25. At the close of the deal the buyer, turning to the dealer, said, "What about a drink out of it?" The dealer, looking somewhat surprised, retorted sharply: "What? You got three horses for \$25 and you have the cheek to suggest a drink out of it? No, it can't be done. But I'll tell you when I will do—I'll throw in another horse."

Love Can Make Lovely

Love can make lovely anything. The roughest hut a castle hall. For what is lovely, after all? It is that something that will bring Sweet thoughts, that nothing can efface. Of some dear heart, of some dear place. How ever men go wandering, Think not alone of gilt and glass. If you would build a lovely home: However fair or far the done, Dear feet must come long years must pass— Think not alone of gilt and glass. For not of these a house is built. Though some build only these, alas. The architect has wisely planned. But only thus can finish this: Your house must know the children's kiss. And at the door old Death must stand. There must be sorrow, must be care. There must be much of laughter there— Homes are not built by human hand. Nay, homes are buildied out of years Of working, waiting, praying, too: To build a house that home appears. Ah, what we are, not what we own. Make beautiful each side and stair. Cemented with our smiles and tears. If mud and thatch are all you bring To build your house of, do not care: For love can make a hut as fair As any palace of a king. It does not matter where we dwell: Where love resides, there all is well— Love can make lovely anything. —DOUGLAS MALLOCH.

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CHRISTMAS TREE PARTY IN LYNN

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Dancing, songs, and music were part of the evening's entertainment and after a most bounteous lunch the party broke up, but not before giving three rousing cheers and a rising vote of thanks for the hospitality of the Schmidt Bros. and the Lynn office.

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DEATH PENALTY FOR SLAYER OF 24

Fritz Haarmann, "Wholesale Murderer" Sentenced to Death in Germany
Extreme Penalty Also Ordered in Case of His Accomplice, Hans Graus

HANOVER, Germany, Dec. 18.—(By the Associated Press) Fritz Haarmann, the "wholesale murderer" whose trial for the slaying of 26 persons has stirred all Germany, was sentenced to death today.
The extreme penalty was also ordered in the case of his accomplice, Hans Graus.
Haarmann was found guilty of murdering 24 young men, the crimes extending over a period of six years.
Graus was condemned for inciting murder in one case.
"I go to the decepting block joyfully and happily," Haarmann declared to the court just before sentence was pronounced. Then he pleaded: "Don't send me to the insane asylum. I would rather not live."
Graus' attorney, in reviewing the history of the case, resented the charge that such an affair was possible only in Germany, as claimed by some of the newspapers.
"A long chain of cases leads from Giles de Retz, via Landru, and Leopold, to Haarmann," he asserted.
The attorney pleaded Haarmann was a master mind in the series of murders and that Graus was but his tool, who did not know the real purpose of luring the young men to Haarmann's room.
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THE ZOO

The Great White Bear is husky and as strong as he can be. He lives in arctic regions round the rock coasts of the sea. His fur is of a glossy white. And for his daily meals He lays on wait for little fish. And sometimes dines on seals.

TUCKIN' TIME

Eight o'clock and mother shouts: "It's time to go to bed." Two tiny little youngsters stop their play. This is the hour, though strange 't may seem, that little people dread; the hour when night time takes the place of day.
There's quite a little fussing as the tots take off their clothes and have their hands and faces washed and dried. They kinda want to play a while, as any mother knows, so many little stalling stunts are tried.
"I want a drink of water," comes a shrilly little shout. And then complaints as Mom turns out the light. Right into bed the kiddies hop; and then they hop right out, contending that they were not kissed goodnight.
The story's always quite the same when tots are tucked in sound. They never really want to go to bed. They're always feeling playful when their tuckin' time comes round. And sleep? Why shucks, they'd rather play instead.
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Rice A. Means (above) of Colorado and Jesse H. McCall (below) of Rhode Island, are two of the new senators now on the job in Washington.

CUTTER DID NOT VISIT CHUKOTSH PENINSULA

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 19.—The United States coast guard Bear did not even visit the Chukotsh peninsula in Siberia during its cruise in 1923 and so of course did not bring back brass plate to a rock there as alleged by Tchitcherine, soviet foreign minister in his note to Secretary Hughes, according to Gilbert R. Nuttall of this city. Nuttall claims he was acting as quartermaster on the Bear in 1920 and that the only place in Siberia touched by the cutter was Andir. The Bear, he says, was never near Diomid Bay, Cape Priozhno.

THREE MEN HELD IN \$107,000 ROBBERY

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Joseph A. Stephens, of this city, charged with acting in concert with three other men in robbing a Philadelphia store of \$107,000 in jewelry a week ago, was arrested here early today by local and Philadelphia detectives. Three men are now under arrest in connection with the robbery and are given hearings Dec. 22. They are Michael Flynn, Herman Gross and John Fenech of New York.

ARMY LIGHTER DAMAGED

NEW LONDON, Conn., Dec. 19.—The army wrecking lighter L-100 attached to the army quartermaster's department here, is now hauled out for repairs at the Thames shipyard, after being floated by the wrecking tug Com-missioner at Gull Island, where she grounded in a blow last Sunday. Nearly a score of planks on her bottom have been stove in by pounding on the rocks and some of the bulk-heads were damaged. The vessel will be thoroughly repaired.

WAS FINED \$20
Paul Lagasse was fined \$20 in district court this morning for allowing his automobile to be operated after his certificate of registration had been revoked. A drunkenness charge was filed. Lagasse was arrested Wednesday night by Patrolmen James Burns at Middlesex and Westford streets. He was arraigned in district court yesterday and pleaded not guilty to both charges. He claimed he was not notified of the revocation of his registration.

CITY WATER SUPPLY
A meeting of the board of engineers conducting a survey of the city's water supply and distribution system was held this morning in the city engineer's office. The three members of the board, Arthur T. Sanford, Robert J. Thomas and Stephen Kearney, were present. The board is collecting data and maps concerning the water system and reports that considerable progress is being made in the survey.

Special Reduction
On all
RINGS
B. N. Marcus
8 MIDDLESEX ST.
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LEAGUE OF CATHOLIC WOMEN
Guest Day Sunday, Dec. 21
LIBERTY HALL 3 P. M.
SPEAKER
REV. PAUL J. BLAKELY, S. J.
Subject: "Is Our Democracy on the Down Grade?"
Xmas Carol by the League Orchestra and Members of the League.
Every member privileged to bring a guest.

14 NUNS ESCAPE WHEN FIRE SWEEPS CONVENT

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—Fourteen nuns were forced to leave when fire swept St. Philomena's convent, in Lansdowne, a suburb, last night, causing damage estimated at \$1000.

Six Deaths Due to Storm and Cold in Middle West

causes attributed to the cold and attendant ice and snow. Thousands of deep north of the Grand Canyon in Arizona which refused to be herded to greener pastures on the south side of the canyon, were reported perishing as vegetation failed.

The extreme cold in Montana, where the mercury dropped as low as 34 below zero at Miles City, caused the derailment of three pullmans of a Northern Pacific train near Bear Mouth, 35 miles from Missoula, due to a broken rail. No injuries resulted, reports said.

Wire communication in the plains states was most affected. More than 2000 telephone and telegraph poles were reported down in Oklahoma. Companies reported about 135 towns were cut off.

Telegraph communication was badly handicapped in Illinois as lowering temperatures horrified the zero blast moving eastward. Springfield, Bloomington and Jacksonville were cut off from the outside world by wire.

COMMUNIST LEADER KILLS HIMSELF
SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec. 19.—(By the Associated Press) Luis Recabarren, communist leader and former deputy, shot and killed himself today. He left a statement saying it was useless to struggle and that he was unable to carry on.

"A Good Place to Trade"

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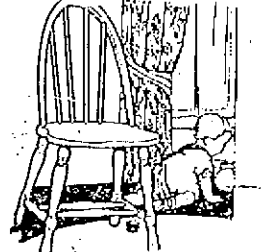
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We are showing a complete line of Pictures and Mirrors at very low prices.
Ask to See Our Special at **98c**

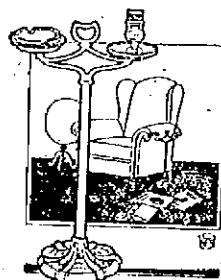


Christmas Sale of Cedar Chests
For the Last Few Days
We have marked our chests 20 per cent to 30 per cent lower for the last few days.

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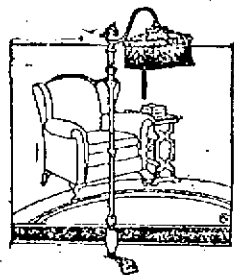


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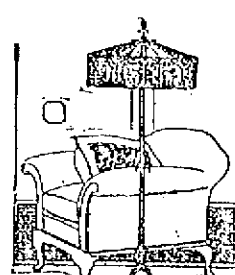


All-Metal Smoking Stands \$16.95
Very attractive and richly finished. One of many styles we are showing in popular pedestal type of smoking stands.

Last Few Days' Specials in Electric Lamps



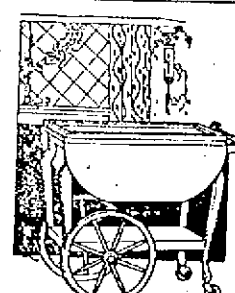
Bridge Lamps
Bridge Lamps with Parchment Shade \$6.49
\$19.44 value \$12.49
\$23.00 value \$16.49
\$13.00 value \$ 9.49
\$40.00 value \$25.00
\$15.00 value \$10.49
\$17.00 value \$10.49
\$35.00 value \$22.98
\$27.00 value \$19.49



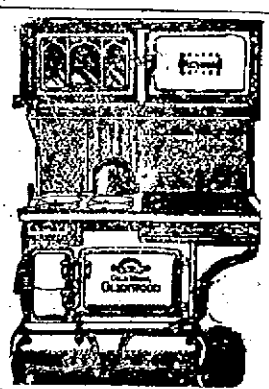
Floor Lamps
\$25.00 value \$16.49
\$35.00 value \$22.50
\$30.00 value \$19.50
\$21.64 value \$16.49
\$35.00 value \$21.49
\$60.00 value \$35.00
\$33.50 value \$19.49
\$28.00 value \$19.49
\$60.00 value \$25.00



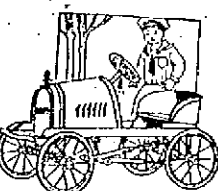
BEAUTIFUL WALNUT SEMI-VANITY \$22.50
A very dainty style at a price a great deal lower than you will find at any other time during the year.



Beautiful Walnut Tea Wagons
With Large Glass Tray Special at **\$23.95**



The Most Useful Xmas Gift of All
JOIN OUR GLENWOOD RANGE CLUB \$2.00
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BUY YOUR BOY AN AUTO
Special Sale for the last few days. Lowell's most complete line to choose from **\$7.95 to \$39**

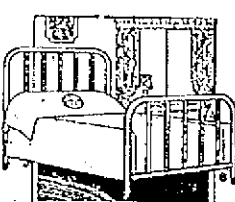
Santa Claus Says:

"There are just a few days left," so you had better visit Atherton's Toyland and order your Dolls, Automobiles, Games, Coasters, Kiddie Cars, Carts, Blackboards, Dolls' Furniture, Doll Carriages, Wheelbarrows, Tricycles.



A Complete Bed Outfit is a Real Xmas Gift

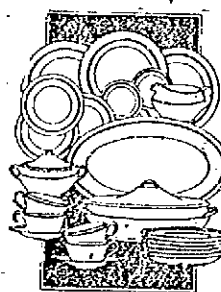
Continuous post, white enamel bed, Atherton's "Dort" special, all wool mattress, genuine National spring. Complete **\$21.95**
\$1.00 Down, \$1.00 Weekly



Thermax Electric Irons \$3.29
Universale Electric Irons \$6.50, \$7.50

Universal Electric Toasters \$6.75-\$8.00
Thermax Electric Toasters \$4.59
Thermax Electric Heaters \$7.50
Universal Electric Heaters \$9.50

23-Piece Tea Sets \$14.95
Service for Six People



50-Piece Dinner Sets \$9.95
Service for Six People

Universal Vacuum Bottles
\$1.89, \$2.25
\$2.50, \$3.19
\$3.50, \$4.00



Universal Coffee Percolators
\$4, \$4.50, \$5.25, \$6, \$6.50

Bread Boards and Knives, assorted colors—\$2.95, \$3.69
Universal Bread Mixers—**\$2.95, \$3.95**

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Thermax Electric Grills—\$4.59
"Pyrex" Pie Dishes in Nickel Frames **\$2.25**

School Programs

Continued

Song, "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"
Class
Recitation, "God Rest You Merry,
Gentlemen"
Katherine Riley, Maribel Parker, Flor-
ence Hayward, Blanche Poland, Vi-
ctoria Pauls, William Orr, Robert
Patterson, Henry Murphy, Robert
Preston, Mildred Perry
Piano Solo, "Ballet Music"
School Orchestra
Recitation, "Just Before Christmas"
Ruth Ross
Song, "Silent Night"
Class
Violin Solo, "O Sole Mio"
Kathryn Haley
Accompanied, Mary Hartshorn
Recitation, "The Gift of the Kind
Heart"
Louise Dunn
Piano Solo, "Birds in the Forest"
Katherine Walsh
Song, "O Come, All Ye Faithful"
Class
School Orchestra

VARNUM SCHOOL

Selection, Orchestra
Singing, Hark, the Herald Angels Sing
School
Recitation, Why Do Bells of Christ-
mas Ring?
Bethel Laird
Carol, Bethlehem's Star
Room
Dialogue, A Jewish Person
Louise Wyman and Marjorie Butterfield
Recitation, The Silences of the Night
Stella Krystyszynski
Carol, Silent Night
Rooms 5 and 12
Recitation, Lost (two Christmas)
Donald Stuntley
Carol, God Rest You, Merry Gentlemen
Rooms 4 and 18
Recitation, Grandpa's Cake
Paul Cates and Edward Neville
Carol, Three Kings of the Orient
Rooms 11 and 17
Carol, On Christmas Eve
Room 16
Recitation, Santa Claus
Emma Mackintosh
Carol, Adagio Fideles
Rooms 13 and 8
Recitation, Christmas Eve
Charles Griffiths
Christmas Folk Song
French Class of Grade 8
Carol, It Came Upon the Midnight Clear
School
Carol, I Saw Three Ships
Rooms 10 and 12
Recitation, The Song, the Star and the
Story
Emilia Pelczar, Blanche Olesanski, Mil-
dred Johnston
Carol, The First Noel
Rooms 14 and 15
Carol, O Little Town of Bethlehem
Rooms 1, 3, and 9
Carol, Joy to the World
School
Musical selection, Cornet, Sylvester
Barbara, Clarinet, Donald Martel, vi-
olin, Felix Krystyszynski, piano, Wal-
lace Gray

PAWTUCKET SCHOOL

Piano selection
Edna Robinson
Carol, It Came Upon the Midnight Clear
School
Recitation, Tale of John Henry Paul
Brown
John Hamblett
Violin solo, Overture, Christian Soldiers
Richard Grock
Recitation, Merry Christmas
School
Piano solo, Adagio Galop
George Holmes
Recitation, The Little Christmas Tree
Catherine Sampson
Piano solo, The Black Hawk Waltz
Alcide Morin
Recitation, A Christmas Carol
Madeline McCarthy
Carol, Hark! the Herald Angels Sing
School
Violin solo, Adagio Fideles
Dorothy Regan
Recitation, O Little Town of Bethle-
hem
Beatrice Andrew
Violin solo, An Old Love Tale
Wasslow Curtis
Recitation, Christmas Eve Come
Victor Laferrere
Piano solo, Blue White March
Lawrence Davis
Recitation, Story of Christmas
Iola Hopkins, Mary Donoghue
Veronica Brown
Carol, O Come All Ye Faithful
School
Recitation, A Ten Cent Christmas
Eva Marchand
Piano selection, The Hallelujah March
Anna McBride
Dance
Mary Casgrove
Piano selection, The Rocky Brooklet
Marguerite Desmoult
Carol, Silent Night
School

ABRAHAM LINCOLN SCHOOL

"The Toys Rebellion," a prize play
from the Ladies Home Journal, was
given as the Xmas entertainment in
the school hall, last night, before a
large audience of parents and friends.
The play itself was amplified by spe-
cialty numbers and choruses, the whole
affording a delightful evening. The 50
costumed children made a colorful
spectacle on the elaborately-docked
stage. The hall was decorated through-
out with Xmas greenery and trimm-
ings.

The committee in charge, Miss L. E.
Moran, chairman, Miss M. M. Kelly
and Miss A. C. Gray, received general
congratulations on the striking result
of their untiring efforts. All work in
connection with the play was in their
hands, and the result was a splendid
testimony of their ability along dra-
matic lines.

The cast:

Characters: Mr. Noah, Edward Hart-
ley; Tin Soldier, James Finn; Sailor;
Caesar, Chasmon; Jumping Jack, Sam
Gerson; Dinah, Eleanor Gagnon; First
French Doll, Alice Comer; Second
French Doll, Edith Clarke; Wax Doll,
Madeline De Bange; Rag Doll, Ruth
Blum; Walking Doll, Helen Kotzen;
Scrap Book Pictures, Rosemarie Carutel
and Marjorie Whaley; Kris Kringle,
Irving Room.
"The Toys": Dorothy Miller, Gladys
McCoy, Lillian Burr, Helen Durkin,
Goldie Perles, Bruce and Wallace
Thompson, Francis Lucas, Albert Lin-
cott, Francis Gleason.
"The Children": Miriam Abrams,
Kathleen Mellon, Eva Olsen, Helen
Brown, Rita Maguire, Josephine Don-
lon, Ella Hale, Harold Peters, Joseph
Woodbury, Albert Sledge, Matthew
Kotzen, David Gilbert.
Specialty Dances: Tin Soldier, Alice
Sullivan; Minuet, Georgia Mello and
Gladys Cohen; Dinah, Doll Dance,
Eleanor Gagnon; Christmas Fairy
Dance, Rose Marie Carutel; Marcella
Whaley; Rag Doll Dance, Ruth Blum;
French Doll Dance, Edith Clarke, Alice
Comer; Bathing Doll Dance, Goldie
Perles.
Overture, Faustina Hall.

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Overcoat, 20%
off, is now **\$20**Ordinary dealers charge \$35
You actually save \$15Your choice of
any \$30 Suit or
Overcoat 20%
off, is now **\$24**Ordinary clothiers charge \$40
You actually save \$16

The policy of our business is never
to carry stock from one season to another.
We manufactured our usual quota of
Suits and Overcoats, but we could not foresee
a warm October and a warmer November;
therefore we are left with a great many more
garments than we should have at this time

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In Short Order!

Our maker-to-wearer prices are usually \$10
less than others charge. This 20 per cent
additional reduction makes these the greatest
bona-fide values ever shown.

This Sale is for a limited period only ---
so choose early!

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Overcoat 20%
off, is now **\$28**Ordinary dealers charge \$45
You actually save \$17Your choice of
any \$40 Suit or
Overcoat 20%
off, is now **\$32**

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GUESTS ENTERTAINED BY MR. AND MRS. BASS

One of the most enjoyable social events of the Christmas-tide took place last evening when Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bass entertained at their beautiful home, 81 Smith street, all of the employees of the United Clook and Sult store, the Rialto Clook and Sult store, and the ladies' department of the Chalfoux store.

The popular host and hostess provided a delightful series of surprises for their many happy guests, who fairly filled the spacious residence during the evening. More than 100 young men and women were present to partake of the cordiality and entertainment provided for one and all in the course of the evening's festivities.

The reception rooms were handsomely decorated with tokens of Yuletide, many flowers being placed in effective displays, creating a beautiful and picturesque picture.

First greetings to the welcoming hosts were followed by entertainment features of rare excellence. Amateur entertainers predominated in the program that provided a delightful addition to the evening's enjoyable gathering. Vocal and instrumental music, readings and other varied entertainment features made the evening a merry one.

Among the entertainers who received much praise for excellent offerings were Miss Harriet Mansur, Miss Lorraine Lelch, Miss Marion Bayle, Miss Warren, Mrs. Harrigan, Miss Ruth Bass, Miss Lillian Kelly and Mrs. Brigham. During the evening, there was also dancing to the music of a famous orchestra. A delightful buffet luncheon, with many Yuletide tid-bits in the toothsome menu of good things to eat, was served.

One of the happiest events on the evening's calendar of the good-will character, was the formal presentation to the host and hostess of a beautiful chest of silver containing 100 pieces. This Yuletide gift of silver was presented by Miss Stella Hall, in behalf of all three stores conducted by the hosts.

In behalf of the employees of the United Clook and Sult store, Benjamin Wheeler was presented a beautiful and valuable table play. John Kaplan of the Rialto emporium, was presented by the employees of this establishment an attractive lounge robe, and Mr. Harold Bass received a military set.

Mr. and Mrs. Bass received renewed congratulations from guests, one and all, when the merry celebrators departed for their homes at a late hour last night.

It is announced that Mr. Bass will distribute a generous bonus of money to all employees who are listed on the pay-rolls of the three stores operated by the popular merchant. Mr. Bass performs this Yuletide act of beneficence in grateful appreciation of faithful service well performed by loyal men and women.

Fifty-four muscles are employed to make a frown, but only 11 muscles are required for a smile.

NEW ASSOCIATION ELECTS OFFICERS

The first annual election of officers of the Pawtucketville Mutual Improvement association was held last night in the rooms of the clubhouse in Main-moth road. Balloting for officers was held under the Australian ballot system and the successful candidates will hold office for a term of one year with the exception of the board of directors.

The officers elected last evening are: President, John Curran; vice president, George Walsh; secretary, John Sullivan; treasurer, Edward Hamill; board of directors, David B. Kinghorn, John Blessington, Patrick Harrington and Frederick Welch.

During the regular meeting important business was transacted among which was the adoption of the by-laws drawn up by a committee composed of John Curran, John Blessington, Frederick Welch and David Kinghorn.

It is the desire of this newly organized association to become incorporated under the Massachusetts law and the membership committee is endeavoring to secure at least 200 members before the end of the year.

The purpose of this association is to further improvements in the fast growing section of the city and to promote social functions among the members and the community in general. Every male resident of Pawtucketville is cordially invited to join the organization.

Plans are under way to hold an "open house" in the near future at which time an official of the commonwealth will be the speaker. An entertainment program will also be given and a buffet luncheon served.

ARRAIGNED ON LIQUOR CHARGES
Angelo Borgatti and John Ryan of West Newbury were arraigned before U. S. Commissioner R. B. Walsh here today on charges of illegal possession and sale. After a lengthy hearing the commissioner reserved his decision.

NAMES OF NEW EAGLE
"SCOUTS ANNOUNCED
Lowell council, Boy Scouts of America, announces the creation of three new local eagle scouts on the membership rolls of local troop organizations Nos. 30 and 17. They are Ernest Pengall and John Pengall, Troop 30, St. Patrick's church, and Lester Moorehouse, Troop 17, Grace Universalist church.

Michael P. Ryan is scoutmaster and Harris Gould assistant scoutmaster of Troop 17. Many promotions have been announced in membership in the second class, tenderfoots; in merit division and first class.



FALL INJURIES RECORDED TODAY

Mrs. Anna Roughan, 31 Berkeley avenue, fell on a slippery sidewalk in Rea street at about 8:30 o'clock this morning, sustaining leg injuries. She was taken to St. John's hospital in the ambulance, but after examination, was allowed to go home.

Laura Martel, employed at the Lawrence Mfg. Co., fell in the mill shortly before 7:45 o'clock this morning. She was taken in the ambulance to the Lowell Corporation hospital to be treated for arm injuries.

ROAD WILL PASS INTO NEW OWNERSHIP

Announcement is made that, beginning with the new year, the Massachusetts Northeastern Street Railway Co., which formerly maintained a passenger service line from Lowell to Pelham, N. H., and Canobie lake park, will pass into new ownership, purchased by the Associated Gas & Utilities Co. of New York being just recorded.

The new corporation, it is stated, will pay \$82 for preferred stock in the old company and \$3 for the common stock. The plans of the purchasing syndicate have not been announced.

Real Bargains

PAINTS, ready mixed, all colors. Gal. \$2.50

REGULATION ARMY SHIRTS, woolen, at \$2.50 Up

ARMY UNDERWEAR - All sizes. Suit \$2.25

SHEEPSKIN COATS - Heavy molleskin, waterproof top, first quality. \$8 and Up

Full Line of HUNTERS' COATS, BREECHES, CAPS LEATHER PUTTEES \$3 Up

O. D. and CORDUROY BREECHES..... \$4 Up

Full Line of WOOL SWEATERS, wide range of colors, many styles...\$4.50 Up

GENUINE NAVY PEACOCKS All Sizes.

REGULATION ARMY SHOES \$3.00 Pair and Up

Full Line of WORKING PANTS \$1.75 Up

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\$3.95 - \$5.00 KNITTED WOOL VESTS \$2.95-\$15
Silk Lined LEATHER SUEDE COATS \$12.75--
\$8.50 PURE SILK SHIRTS, in blue, collar to match,
\$4.95-Genuine BROWN'S BEACH JACKETS \$4.95--
\$1.00 Fancy Buckle RUBBER BELTS 55c-65c
HEATHER DROPSTITCH HOSE 39c-\$5.00 Semi-Lined FUR GLOVES \$3.45
-65c Shirley PRESIDENT SUSPENDERS 39c.

These and hundreds of other bargains await your inspection-better step in NOW when the choice is greatest.

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Our variety this year far exceeds any we have ever shown. For the first time since the war we have been able to secure a line of Hand Wrought Andiron and Fire Sets, made by Russian and Belgian workmen.

We have a splendid assortment of Brass and Black Fireplace Goods—Fenders, Guards, Screens, Shovel and Tong Sets. Everything for the fireplace.

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In these times every household should have a set of tools to do the little jobs around the house.

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SHOE SKATES

ASK FOR THE NEW SPEEDSTER SELF-STEERING SLED
Finest sled made.

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N. B.—POPCORN 10c lb., 3 lbs. 25c
Japanese Hullless Popcorn, 15c lb.

OUR SPECIAL STEEL POPPER 50c

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254 MERRIMACK STREET

MRS. SWEETIN TESTIFIES HIGHT WAS AN ANNOYANCE TO HER

Had Never Given Him Any Signs of Sincere Affection and Had Never Entered Into an Understanding With Him to Dispose of Their Mates

MOUNT VERNON, Ill., Dec. 12.—Attorney Nelson Layman, defense counsel for Lawrence M. Hight, who is on trial with Mrs. Elsie Sweetin for the murder by poison of Mrs. Anna Hight and Wilford Sweetin, was ready today to present physicians to testify in defense of his client. Mrs. Sweetin, the principal witness yesterday, denied that Hight had suggested that she poison her husband and declared the crime was untrue. "I did not give Wilford poison. Hight did not give me any poison," she testified. "Time and again she insisted that she was innocent. Referring to her confession she said: 'I was weak, sick and nervous. There I was in jail—a sick woman.' Before she met Hight, her story went, she had led a life untroubled by scandal or turbulence. Wilford, she said, introduced her to the preacher at a revival meeting last December.

The witness said she had first noticed his affection for her last spring when the family had moved to Ida, and her husband had come to work in the coal mines at Macon, Ill. "Hight first came to my home for milk," she related. "Finally he began to make love. I would have told daddy about it, but I was afraid." "Afraid of what?" she was asked. "Of causing trouble in my home and of public opinion," she replied. Mrs. Sweetin said that Hight was an annoyance to her, that she never had given him any signs of sincere affection and had never entered into an understanding with him to dispose of their mates. Hight sat apparently undisturbed by this testimony. Old practitioners believed that the flesh of the lark strengthened the human voice and increased its sweetness.

TESTING THE ALCOHOLIC CONTENT OF BEER

A modern and convenient device for testing the alcoholic content of beer, known as an "Ebulliometer," is to be added to the equipment of the local liquor squad in the near future. The instrument is designed to complete a test in a half hour's time. Ebulliometers are used by liquor agents in all the larger cities. It will greatly expedite the work of the local squad, for in the absence of such an instrument, beer sold by agents must be shipped to the state chemist in Boston for analysis. In the past, a week or ten days has elapsed before the result was made known. With the adoption of the "baby" Volstead law, all beer seized in transit or otherwise must first be proven to contain more than one-half of one percent alcohol before an arrest warrant can be sworn out. The ebulliometer will do the job within half an hour.

An almanac one-quarter of an inch by one-half an inch in dimensions is owned by an opera singer of Ellersfeld, Germany. Sunday Island in the Pacific, rising 2000 feet out of five miles of water, really is the tallest mountain in the world.

Says Two New Wards Needed To Evenly Distribute Votes

Continued
ward called attention to the present uneven distribution of the voting strength. Ward 2 at the present time has the smallest registration of any with a total of 1874, while ward 8 has the largest registration with 6069 in carrying on the work of redistricting, Mr. Allard voices the opinion that the registration of wards should be more evenly distributed. Meetings of the board were held yesterday forenoon and afternoon, and again this morning and afternoon and were strictly private. "The last redistricting of the city was done in 1906, and a comparison of the city's voting strength in 1905, just prior to the redistricting, and this year, furnishes interesting figures, which are as follows:

Ward	1905	1924
1	1224	3623
2	1874	1874
3	1068	1874
4	1801	4783
5	1615	2503
6	1324	2376
7	1005	4143
8	2275	6045
9	2360	6066
10	2001	6281

The greatest proportionate increases in the period 1905 to 1924 are found in wards 1, 3 and 8, where the voting strength almost tripled. The smallest increases were in wards 2, 4 and 5.

THE DANCING
The Dancings are continuing a series of dancing parties Saturday evenings in Colonial hall, with Leo Dancy's Syncopators furnishing up to date music. A special Christmas party will be held tomorrow night, with novelties and favors for all. Attractive hall decorations will accentuate the spirit of the season. The admission is 40 cents for women and 50 cents for men.

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AMUSEMENT NOTES

(By the Theatres' Own Press Agents)

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

Tonight, and twice tomorrow, Miss Gracie Emmett will be at the home of the spoken drama with her great comedy bill, "Mrs. Murphy's Second Husband." Next week the Stanley James (Inc.) Stock Players will offer as their holiday bill, "Charlie's Aunt," one of the sweetest and cleanest plays ever written. That this play is destined to do a big business is certain, for the advance sale has been much greater than usual. With the announcement of the selection of the holiday bill Mr. James immediately found a spontaneous demand for choice seats and the phone at 7610 has been kept constantly busy ever since.

Much interest is evinced in the special matinee for next Tuesday, when Santa Claus will appear on the stage at the conclusion of the performance. With the assistance of the members of the company he will distribute gifts to every little boy and little girl present.

On New Year's Eve, at midnight, the management will run a monster show with ten big acts of vaudeville.

Last year the demand for tickets was so great that hundreds of disappointed folks were unable to gain admission at the last minute. Seats may be reserved and a phone call to 7610 is a wise move if one would not miss the fun.

THE STRAND

The triple-feature bill at The Strand for the week and includes the novel "Flight and Win" series, with Champion Dempsey starring in "All's Well On the Ocean." It's a new kind of story for the champion, and extremely entertaining.

Superstition, love, mystery, action and suspense are cleverly interwoven from the famous "Book of the Dead" which you get in "The Who Dares," the headlines on The Strand program for the week-end. You get everything promised above and more besides, for the photoplay, scenic effects and clever intermingling of also materially responsible in the success of this truly great photoplay. One of those genuine all-star casts, headed by John Hoppers and Marguerite De La Motte, interpret the story wonderfully well. Those assisting in the Sheldon Lewis, Edward Burns, Marie Marshall, Joseph Dewling, Claire McDowell and others.

Of course we all like to see picture stories that reflect, in some measure at least, our own problems. "The Beautiful Sinner" starring Eva Novak and William Fairbanks, is just

such a story. Full of exciting interest and a mystery story that is not solved until the very last minute. The comedy and weekly are always good.

LOWELL'S HILARIO

Tom Mix as manager and proprietor of an Old Ladies' Home! That's just what you'll see in "Ladies To Board," which is the main feature at Lowell's Hilario today and tomorrow. Tony, his wonder horse, is also on the cast and performs in his usual excellent manner. Gortrade Omsstead has the leading role in "The Forbidden Lover," a story of Old Spain co-starring Barbara Bedford and Noah Beery. The associate feature, while a comedy and news film concludes the program.

Prerequisites are now under way for the big Kluge Midnite Revue on Nov. 24th. A musical comedy company has been secured for this event. The entire proceeds of this show will go to the employees of the theatre. Phone 6763 or call at the box office for seats.

MERRIMACK SQUARE

Gloria Swanson adds a new nationality to her long list of characterizations in "Wages of Virtue," her new Paramount picture now playing at the Merrimack Square Theatre. It is the first time in her career she plays an Italian girl, Carmelita, a product of the slums of Naples, who becomes the toast of the Foreign Legion in Algeria. Gloria never had a role just like this, and the picture excels even "The Humming Bird."

Charles Jones, the outdoor star, in "The Vagabond Trail," is the companion attraction. The story of a rugged trail finally leads to romance and happiness. It is included in this entertainment production. The latest episode of "Into the Net" and the International News complete a program of merit.

D. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

"Thank You, Doctor," which is being played at the D. F. Keith Theatre, this week, is a perfect gem of a crook play. Exciting, it is, funny, and it is played in wonderful style by a company of which Chester Clute and Eleanor Hicks are the leaders. Lloyd & Goods, blackface comedians; Maseo Harmon and Sande in songs and comedy; Tracey & McBride, Broadway travesty performers; Margaret Lee, violinist, and Lee Horowitz, pianist, comprise the other acts. The picture feature is "The Slanderers."

LARGE PIECES IN BLACK

In grouping furniture, be careful not to let the larger pieces stand in the way of the small. Rather put a chair in front of a sofa, than to the rear of it. That is, if it is best to start placing the larger furniture in the room before all else is arranged.

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Menus for a Family

Tested by SISTER MARY

Breakfast—Grapefruit, rolled oats, thin cream, fried corn meal mush, sirup, soft boiled eggs, toast, milk, coffee.

Luncheon—Peanut butter soup, turnips au gratin, raisin and apple salad, ginger snaps, milk, tea.

Dinner—Mock fillet mignon, French fried potatoes, baked squash, head lettuce with Roquefort cheese dressing, canned pears, jumbles, whole wheat bread, milk, coffee.

Whenever possible use the so-called "winter vegetables" rather than canned summer vegetables. The root vegetables are rich in mineral salts and add bulk to a diet heavy with fat and protein.

Mock fillet mignon is nothing more nor less than round steak, ground, seasoned and made into little flat cakes bound with a strip of bacon fastened with toothpicks. The patties are broiled just like real fillet and are an excellent cheap substitute for the real thing.

Peanut Butter Soup
Four tablespoons peanut butter, 4 cups milk, 1/4 teaspoon salt.

Heat milk and use several spoonfuls to thin the peanut butter. When

the peanut butter is reduced to a smooth paste stir into milk, season with salt and a few grains of pepper if desired and bring to the boiling point but do not let boil. Serve very hot with toasted crackers or croutons. Turnips au Gratin

Four cups boiled sliced turnips, 2 cups milk, 3 tablespoons butter, 3 tablespoons flour, 1/4 teaspoon salt, 1/4 teaspoon pepper, 1-2 cup coarse stale bread crumbs, 4 tablespoons grated cheese.

Put turnips into a buttered baking dish. Melt butter, stir in flour and when smooth and perfectly blended slowly stir in milk. Season with salt and pepper and cook until thick and smooth. Pour over turnips in baking dish, sprinkle with crumbs, dot with bits of butter and cover with grated cheese. Bake in a hot oven until the cheese is melted and the crumbs are brown. Fifteen minutes should do the trick. Serve very hot in the dish used for baking.

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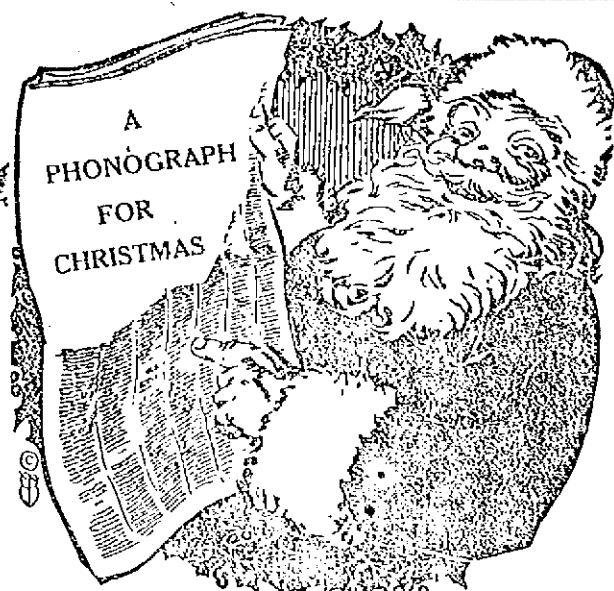
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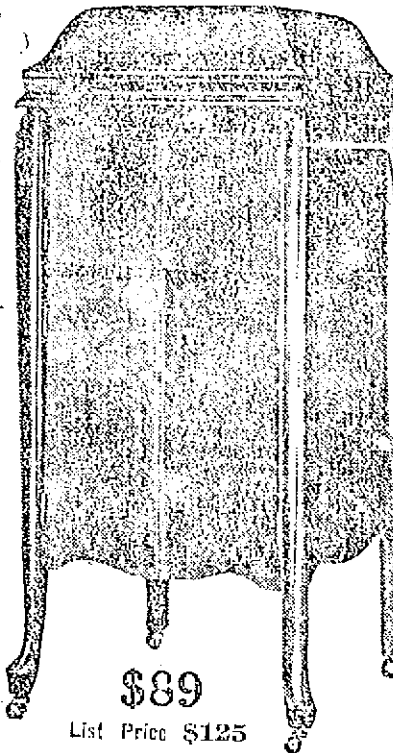


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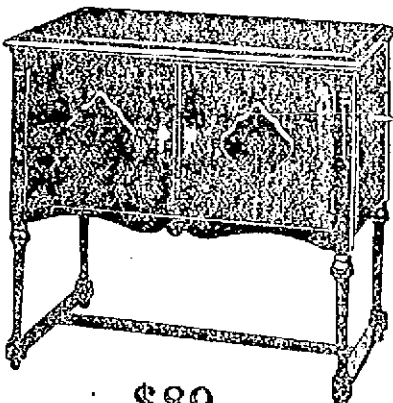
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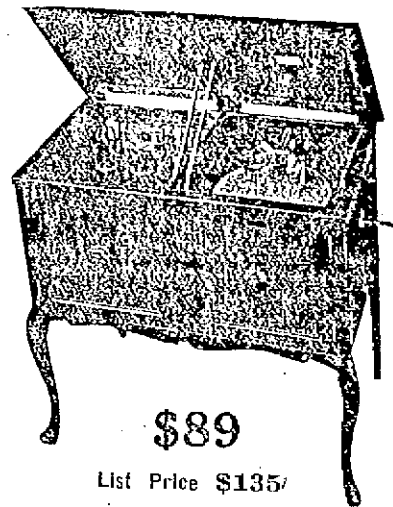


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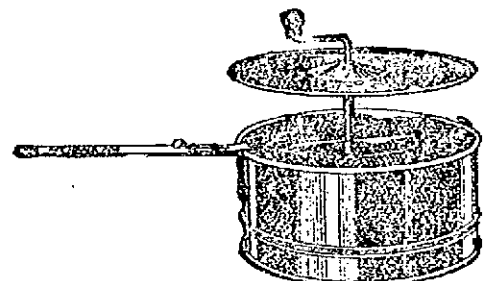
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Martin Flaherty Jr. and Al Mello Matched for New Year's Day

STEVENSON DEFEATS HEBERT AND PEACE AND GOOD-WILL TOWARD JOHNSON BY CLUB OWNERS

Robinson Beats O'Brien, Nelson Wins Over Adams, Flaherty Stops Clayton—Burke Lands Decision—Flaherty and Mello Matched

Smiling Hal Stevenson of Lawrence annexed the New England Flyweight title by defeating Frankie Hebert of this city in an eight-round bout at the Moody club last evening.

Four eight-rounders and a six-round bout were staged last evening by the Moody club in Crescent rink, the proceeds of the show going to the city's Red Cross fund. Every one of the bouts was good and large attendance greatly enjoyed the performance.

The Stevenson-Hebert bout, the final on the program, was a great surprise even to the former's staunchest admirers. The Lawrence lad outboxed Hebert all the way, the latter having considerable difficulty finding the Lawrence boy and on several occasions when the two stood toe to toe and swapped punches, Stevenson's blows were the more effective.

Final flashed in the first round and again in the second. In the next three rounds, Stevenson earned the decision without any question, landing on Hebert almost at will. When the judges' verdict was announced it met with general acclaim.

Jack O'Brien of Lawrence substituted for Willie Theroux of Nashua in the second eight-round bout of the evening against Larry Robinson of Cambridge and lost the decision after eight rounds of action. Robinson's left went through O'Brien's guard time and time again, jarring him back on his heels, and in the third round knocking him down. O'Brien proved his ability to fight back, however, and kept boxing in on the Cambridge lad. In the seventh he staged a whirlwind comeback, keeping Robinson backing up from his swarms all through the eighth and ninth rounds, and kept boxing in on the Cambridge lad. In the seventh he staged a whirlwind comeback, keeping Robinson backing up from his swarms all through the eighth and ninth rounds, and kept boxing in on the Cambridge lad.

Benny Nelson added Babe Adams of Lawrence to the list of his victims in the eighth rounds of his pretty fighting as one would care to see. Benny started off with a dashing attack which set the Lawrence boy on the defensive in the first round and continued it until the last bell. Adams was game to fight, but Nelson piled up a lead by going in first on almost every occasion. The decision to Nelson was a proper one.

Martin Flaherty celebrated his first appearance in a local ring for many moons by winning over Tommy Clayton of Nashua by a technical knockout in the fourth round. Both boys were in the pink of condition and went into the full with a flash of action.

Clayton scored a couple of swings to Flaherty's jaw in the first round which more than offset Martin's blows, but after the opening stanza it was all Flaherty. Martin went at Tommy in a business-like way after the first, and his superior skill kept the latter from landing on him while he scored time and time again on body blows. In the fourth he landed a hard one to Clayton's ribs which staggered the Nashua boy and from the latter's corner a towel was thrown. After the bout it was announced that Clayton had sustained a broken rib.

The first bout of the evening, one of six rounds, was won by Joe Burke of Worcester over Mike Axt of Lawrence. The bout went the distance, Burke's better ring generalship giving him the edge.

It was announced that the next show by the Moody club will be staged New Year's afternoon, when Al Mello will clash with Martin Flaherty.

MURPHY AFTER PALUSO AND FINNEGAN

Billy Murphy is busy training for future bouts and announced today that he would seek matches with Lew Paluso and Honeyboy Finnegan, both of whom have decisions over the Lowell boy.

Murphy is anxious to win out both black marks and is so confident that he can accomplish the stunt that he is ready to meet the two in one month.

Billy has been taking things easily since his last bout with Finnegan, one of the best of his career. He took on Finnegan the same week he fought Kenoyer in Nashua and the strain of the two battles in a few days, had him a little off form, he says.

He is engaging in light workouts and will be ready to step into the ring within a week.

BOXER DROPS DEAD IN FIRST ROUND

BILLINGS, Mont., Dec. 15.—Judd "Young" Tate, 17, fainted over dead in the first round of his first professional boxing match, the opening bout of a fight program at Miles City last night. Carl Cottrill of Miles City, Tate's opponent, is being held by local authorities pending an investigation.

American League Magnates Still With Ban Despite Action in Stripping Him of Part of His Power and Rebuking Him for Attitude Toward Landis

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—(By the Associated Press) Peace and good will toward Ban Johnson, president of the American league, were radiated by his club owners, returning home today, after stripping him of part of his power and rebuking him for his attitude toward Kenesaw M. Landis, commissioner of baseball.

Most of them are still behind Johnson and do not want him to resign the post he has held for more than 20 years. They considered that the baseball world would never see a greater figure than Johnson.

Such an impression was conveyed by Clark Griffith, president of the Washington club; Thomas S. Shibe of Philadelphia; Colonel Jacob Ruppert of the New York Yankees; and Connie Mack, manager of the Athletics, before they left last night.

The letter rebuking Johnson presented to Commissioner Landis by the American league owners was "merely to clear the atmosphere," Mr. Griffith said when he and others called at the league headquarters to pay their respects to Johnson. The president, being in seclusion, they conveyed their views to Henry Killam, Milwaukee attorney and friend of Mr. Johnson.

"We were appointed to call on Mr. Johnson and ask him not to resign; there is no reason why he should resign," said Griffith. "We came to pay our respects to him because we are all with him."

"There has been much misunderstanding in baseball and we wanted to clear it up for all time," he continued. "We all know that arguing is harmful to the game, and the only way to stop it is to take the necessary action to stop it."

As far as we are concerned, we stand behind Mr. Johnson the same as we have always stood," Commissioner Landis, suffering from a severe cold, had nothing to say regarding action of the joint session of the club owners.

provide a battle-royal on the Paige street annex boards. The Lyman League met on Thursday of Feb. 23 will be in the nature of a Washington's birthday anniversary celebration in the B. A. A. intercollegiate meet at Mechanics building, Boston, the Andover and the state academy. The local team will jump up against the very best competition the public high schools of the state have to offer.

Mr. Conway has worked hard to compile and worthy of the caliber of the team that will be turned out despite the loss of such stars as Daly, Slavin, Pearson, Burke, etc.

What probably will be the approved indoor track schedule at the high school for 1925 was announced today by Faculty Manager James P. Conway. The schedule embraces nine meets and will place the team in competition with the best schoolboys in the state. The schedule follows, all meets not otherwise designated to be held in Lowell:

Jan. 17. Alumni.

21. Worcester North.

Feb. 7. B.A.A. Scholastic at Boston.

14. Malden.

21. Andover scholastics at Andover.

23. Lynn English, 2:30 p. m.

25. Mass Schoolboy meet at Boston.

Mar. 7. Lawrence at Lawrence.

At a glance it will be seen that the team has a hard campaign mapped out and will need well rounded strength to come through even its dual meets without defeat. In Georgetown, for instance, will be a team that last year won the Harvard schoolboy meet at the Harvard stadium and will

be a factor in the state championship.

At Schenck, Washington coach and co-entrainer on the district level, Nick Altrock, recently was refused permission by the New York state athletic commission to stage league boxing exhibitions in connection with Madison Square Garden pugilistic cards. The commission ruled there were enough clowns in the boxing game.

W. G. Bramham of Durham, N. C., holds the distinction of being president of three minor leagues. His recent election as president of the Virginia league gives him jurisdiction over this league in addition to the Western and the South Atlantic leagues of which he is already the executive head. He is also a member of the board of arbitration of the National Association of Professional Baseball clubs.

Ed Thorpe, recently selected as referee of the Notre Dame-Stanford game at Los Angeles, New Year's day, will tour western and southwestern colleges before his return east. He will inspect Stanford and Southern California and then jump up to the universities of Washington and Oregon. On his return he will take the southern route, visiting Rice Institute, Mississippi A. & M. and Texas, among others.

Students of the late Percy D. Haughton, former Columbia and Harvard football mentor, are gaining a strong foothold in the gridiron coaching world. The list includes Bob Fisher at Harvard; Douglas Lawson at Williams; Percy Wendell at Lehigh; Eddie Casey at Tufts and Dr. Paul Withington at Columbia.

Boston college's record breaking relay team is entered for the Brookline college track meet Jan. 24. The same men who established a world outdoor mark of 1 minute, 17.2 seconds for two miles at the Penn Relay earned it will appear. They are: William T. McKillop, Parker J. Sweeney, Thomas J. Cavannah and Louis H. Welch.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

The 1925 football schedule of Harvard high school ends Lowell slated for Nov. 2 of next year at the Harvard stadium. In 1926, it is understood, Harvard will play in Lowell. Russell Robinson, star backfield man, will lead the Lowell team in its campaign next fall. His team faces a stiff schedule, including games with Marblehead, Brockton, Lawrence and Lowell.

CITY BASKETBALL LEAGUES

Two games were played in the City Basketball league last night at the M.C.A. The Celtics defeated the Arrows by a score of 35 to 23 and the Trojans taking the measure of the Lowell club by the margin of 34 to 16. Both games were fast and furious and addressed the players and fans after the games. Tomorrow afternoon the Celtics will clash with the Eagles, the Ramblers will meet the Arrows and the E.C.B. will face the Riverdels.

AT BAY STATE DANCING SCHOOL

Tomorrow evening, as announced by Manager Horan, Miner-Doyle's orchestra will furnish the music at the Bay State dancing school, plans to accepting this engagement, Miner-Doyle has been engaged for a few out-of-town engagements but with these exceptions, they will play at the Bay State on every Monday and Saturday evenings. The location of this hall makes it especially convenient no matter what the weather, as the electric cars pass directly in front of the door. Miss Mabel Whitlock is always in attendance so that proper chaperonage is assured and Manager Horan has been complimented many times by visitors on the manner in which these parties are conducted. Bargain night Monday, 35 cents to all. Checking free.

BOWLING

TEAM	Won	Lost	Pinfalls
Kiaiki	20	14	16,904
Twisters	20	15	16,167
Shop	17	17	15,817
Office	26	18	15,816
Velvet	23	21	15,667
Velvet Power	16	18	14,916
Wave	14	30	15,185
Yard	12	32	15,145

GAMES TONIGHT

Motive Power vs. Velvet.
Twisters vs. Wave.
Shop vs. Office.
Mistral vs. Kiaiki.
High team total, Twisters, 1635; second, Shop, 1532.

High team single, Shop, 574; second, Twisters, 569.
High individual three string, Benoit, 361; second, Dalgic, 342.
High individual single string, Sheridan, 143; second, Dalgic, 133.

Individual Averages

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Burrows 90 79 125 294
O'Neil 100 85 98 283
Heggen 93 95 81 269
S. Marsh 90 94 90 274

Totals 498 442 527 1471

MASS. MOHAWK PLASTER

B. Sheen 97 91 86 274
O'Brien 100 91 103 294
W. Mitchell 90 82 84 256
J. Lynch 102 117 129 348

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MERRIMACK MILLS

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Sheridan 90 81 115 286
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A. Thompson 81 87 81 249
T. Buckley 83 81 90 254

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HI JACKERS

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W. Booth 50 61 74 235
J. Jordan 70 65 63 198
J. Montague 70 84 81 235
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Totals 397 391 409 1197

TIGERS

J. McLean 68 67 56 191
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T. Trainer 80 61 64 205
P. Mullin 102 120 88 310

Totals 426 459 413 1320

WIZARDS

H. Booth 73 81 95 254
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J. McGilchey 82 89 88 259
T. Carter 51 54 50 155
H. Ferguson 85 83 71 239

Totals 415 400 413 1228

FOR BANTAM TITLE

Abe Goldstein and Eddie (Cannonball) Martin in Championship Bout

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Two greater New York bantamweights, Abe Goldstein of Manhattan and Eddie (Cannonball) Martin of Brooklyn will fight for the title tonight in Madison Square garden. Goldstein holds the crown as a result of his victory over Joe Lynch.

Since becoming champion, Goldstein has successfully defended his honors against Charley Ledon, French bantamweight champion, and Tommy Ryan of McKeesport, Pa. The title holder and his adversary in tonight's bout are clever boxers, especially defensively.

Goldstein, however, is the favorite because of a jabbing left that keeps an opponent in trouble.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Nine champions and former champions of the Bantam and Bantamweight divisions of the United States Amateur Association, who carried George von Elm to the 37th hole after being eight down with fifteen to play in the last national amateur tournament, are seen in action, both natural and at slow speed, in a series of motion pictures ready to receive under the auspices of the United States Golf association. Those who appeared before the camera were Robert Jones, Jr., national amateur champion; Max H. Marston, former national champion; Cyril J. H. Tooley of England, British and French title holder of former years; Robert Gardner, former American champion; Jesse P. Guilford, the Boston "bloke gun" champion von Elm, twice leader in the northwest; D. Charles Corbett, medalist of the amateurs in 1921; Francis Outnet, open champion in 1913, and amateur champion in 1914, and Dr. O. F. Willing, Pacific Northwest and Oregon champion.

The films, comprising four reels of 1,000 feet each, feature the grips, stances and swings used by these players in employing driver, brassie, midiron, mashie, niblick and putter. The study at natural speed is followed by the same movements at slow that every amateur is apt to find in the putting exhibitions, under slow motion, the little sphere moves toward the cup with a heart-rending hesitancy, which caused the spectators at the first official showing to groan and sigh in turn. All pictures were taken at Ardmore during the national amateur tournament this fall.

These films are available for golf clubs throughout the country at small cost.

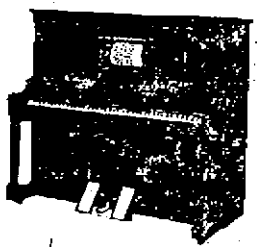
LECTION OF OFFICERS

At the regular monthly meeting of Court St. Therese Union St. Jean Baptiste of America the following were elected to the executive board for the coming year: Honorary president, Mrs. Marie L. Genereux; president, Mrs. P. J. Genereux; secretary, Mrs. Amanda Genereux; treasurer, Mrs. Adeline Genereux; assistant secretary, Miss Lucie Genereux; transferer, Miss Bernadette Genereux; master of ceremonies, Miss Caroline Desnoyers. The installation of officers will be held on Jan. 19 and a committee is in charge of arranging an elaborate program for the occasion. The committee is composed of Mrs. Genereux, Mrs. Trudel, Mrs. Genereux, Mrs. Tardif, Miss Genereux and Miss Dion.

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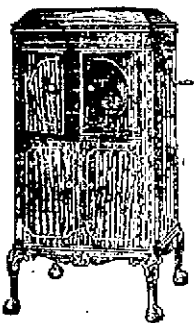


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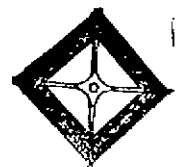
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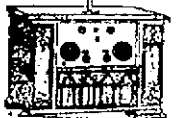
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Silk Shirts	\$5.00 to \$10.00	Suede Leather Jackets	\$15.00
Bathrobes	\$6.00 to \$25.00	Wool Vests	\$4.00 to \$10.00
Lounging Robes	\$12.00 to \$40.00	Silk and Wool Hose	75c to \$2.00
Shakerknit Sweaters	\$7.50 to \$15.00	Plaid Hose	\$1.00 to \$2.00
Travel Jackets	\$8.00	Sheep Lined Coats	\$12.50 to \$18.00
Blue Ribbon Jackets	\$7.50	Black Jackets	\$5.50
Golf Hose	\$1.50 to \$5.00	Tuxedos and Dress Suits	\$45.00 to \$75.00
Pullover Sets	\$7.50 to \$14.00	Raincoats and Gabardines	\$12.50 to \$25.00
Silk Neckwear	\$1.00 to \$5.00	Business Suits	\$25.00 to \$60.00
Silk Knit Ties	\$1.00 to \$3.50	Dress Shirts	\$3.00 to \$5.00
Hickok Belts .....	.50 to \$3.00	Fur Caps	\$5.00
Hickok Buckles .....	.50 to \$5.00	Velour Hats	\$5.00 to \$12.00
Beltoigrams	\$1.00 to \$5.00	Stetson Hats	\$7.00
Emblem Buckles	\$2.50	Mallory Hats	\$5.00
Linen Handkerchiefs .....	.25 to .75	Golf Caps	\$1.50 to \$2.50
Silk Handkerchiefs .....	.50 to \$2.00	Umbrellas	\$2.00 to \$10.00
Gloves, Lined or Unlined	\$2.50 to \$5.00	Walking Sticks	\$3.00 to \$6.00
Auto Driving Gloves	\$3.00 to \$12.00	Ladies' Umbrellas	\$4.00 to \$10.00
Fibre Silk Mufflers	\$2.00 to \$5.00		

Sensible Gifts for a Boy

Overcoats, 3 to 8 years	\$8.50 to \$15.00	Hickok Belts .....	.50
Overcoats, 10-20 years	\$15.00 to \$25.00	Hickok Buckles .....	.50
Juvenile Suits, 3-10 years	\$3.98 to \$10.00	Angora Sweaters, 4 to 10 years	\$5.00
Novelty Juvenile Suits	\$8.50	Angora Sweaters, 12 to 16 years	\$6.00
Boys' Knit Vests	\$3.45	Zipper Leggings	\$4.98 to \$5.45
Cowboy Suits	\$2.00 to \$3.00	Boy Scout Supplies	
Fireman Suits	\$3.00	Boys' Umbrellas	\$1.00 to \$2.00
Boys' Lined Gloves and Mittens,	59c to \$2.50	Boys' Bathrobe Sets	\$2.00 to \$5.50
		Boys' Brush Scarfs	\$1.00
		Boys' Rubber Coats	\$3.75 to \$6.00

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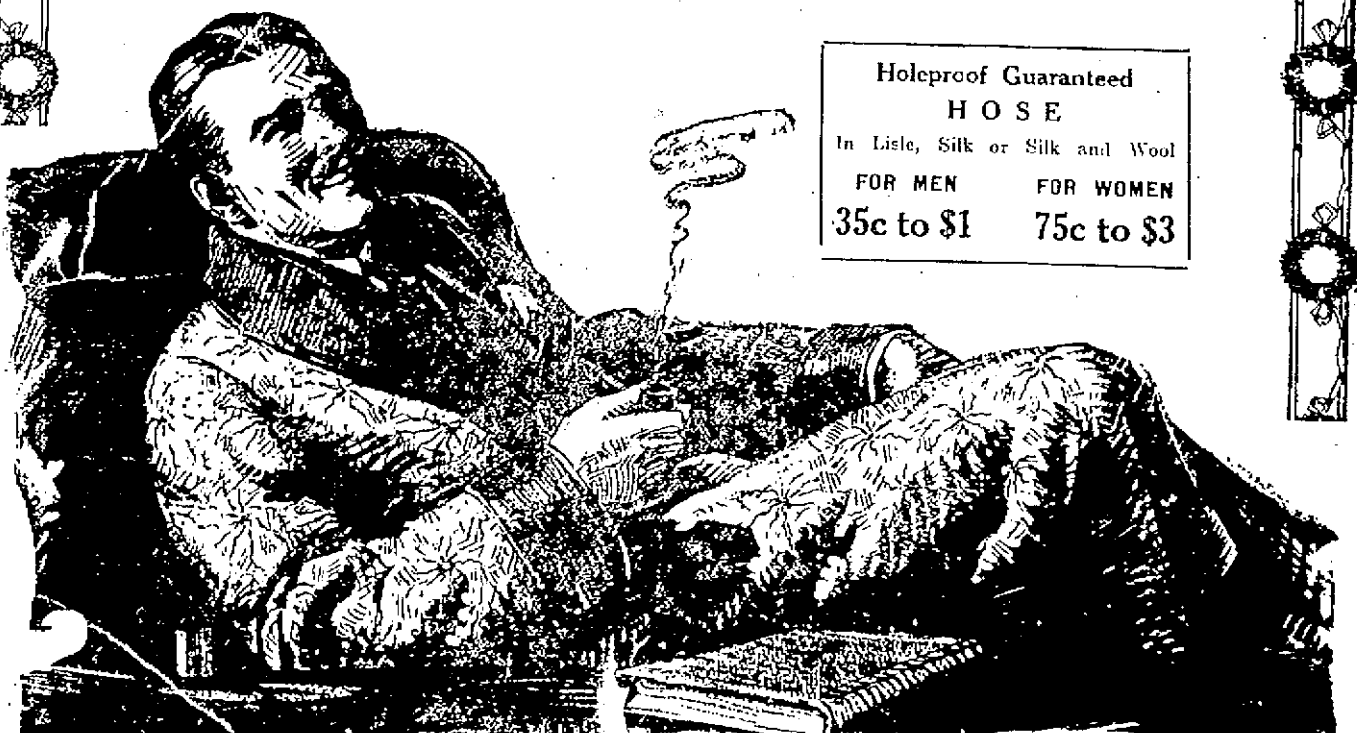
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STERLING BILL WILL BE DEBATED
NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Creation of a federal department of education with federal aid to states for education has provided by the Sterling bill in congress will be debated at the eleventh annual meeting of the Association of American colleges and Allied agencies at Chicago, Jan. 5 to 10, it was announced today.

LAWRENCE FAMILY DRIVEN OUT BY FIRE
LAWRENCE, Dec. 13.—Fire in a house, 5 Lexington street, about 4:30 this morning badly damaged the structure and drove Mrs. Agnes McNulty and her six children to the street in scanty attire. Ice coated streets made it difficult for the fire department to reach the scene. The fire was probably caused by an overheated chimney.

FUND BENEFIT DANCE AT THE COMMODORE
A dance for the benefit of the Christmas tree fund of the Broadway Social and Athletic association will be held in the Commodore ballroom this evening. Last night, a meeting of the committee in charge of the annual Christmas celebration was held. Chairman James Neeson presided and received encouraging reports.



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MANY AUTOS MAROONED

Slippery, Ice-Covered Highway Raises Havoc With Traffic in New York

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Dec. 18.—Dawn this morning found a score of motor trucks and passenger cars marooned, abandoned or ditched in the slippery ice-covered highway between this city and Albany. The rain of last night, freezing as it fell, coated the highways with a glass-like covering on which trucks and cars could move only with difficulty. As a result traffic speed was reduced to two and three miles an hour. Despite the caution, heavy trucks skidded about the road, lurched into the ditch and remained. Passenger cars did the same. The passengers, clinging to remain for the night in their seats or abandoning the cars and taking to the interurban trolley service which parallels the road.

BOILER EXPLOSION WRECKS FACTORY

WOLFORD, N. H., Dec. 18.—The explosion of a steam boiler demolished the two-story wooden laundry building of Harry E. Libby here today shortly before employees arrived for the day's work. The building was unoccupied and no one hurt. The boiler, measuring 16 feet in length, was blown about an eighth of a mile and landed on top of an abandoned sawmill. Two automobiles in a wine of the laundry used as a garage, were smashed to bits and, on the site of the building, only splinters and fragments of metal were to be seen. The laundry was insured for \$3000. The exact loss was not ascertained.

UNREST AMONG NATIVES! MARX-STRESEMANN CABINET TO REMAIN

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Serious unrest among the natives of South Africa is reported by the Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Express, who say their aim is to set up a republic and establish their complete independence of the white race. He quotes the newspaper of Cape Town to the effect that the Zulus are secretly arming. The authorities at Pretoria, it is said, learned that a fund which the natives are collecting, ostensibly for church building, was actually destined for use in buying arms and ammunition.

CASES DISPOSED OF IN DISTRICT COURT

As the result of a raid in the store of William Subjowsky at 67 Charles street last night, the proprietor appeared in the district court this morning and paid a fine of \$100 after pleading guilty to a charge of illegally keeping liquor. The officers concerned in the raid were Alfred J. Killey, Clyde L. Aldrich, William J. Farney and William L. Keegan. Michael Camion pleaded guilty to a

charge of illegal keeping and was fined \$150. Nicholas D. Redhead was found guilty on four counts of larceny and was continued for sentence until next Tuesday. He was arrested about two weeks ago in connection with an alleged fake advertising scheme. Four centuries of domestication have so changed canary birds that they now are being imported into their native Canary Islands. The world's largest ice skating rink at Davos, Switzerland is 5000 feet above sea level.

REPORTS BIG INCREASE \$100,000 "FRAME-UP" IN DRUNKENNESS

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 18.—The number of men and women committed to county jail, penitentiaries and New York city institutions on charges of being drunk and disorderly and driving automobiles while intoxicated showed a decided increase during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1924. It was indicated in reports of sheriffs and authorities in charge of the institutions, to the state commission of prisons and made public here today.

The report showed these increases over the previous year: County Jails 3,252, or 40.2 per cent. County penitentiaries 1011, or 62.3 per cent. New York city institutions 1133, or 38.7 per cent. The commission said a study of reports for ten fiscal years indicated the number of commitments for these causes was greater during the past year than during any year since 1917, except in the case of penitentiaries where the number committed was greater during each of the fiscal years from 1915 to 1919 than during the past year.

Eleanor Barnes Testifies as to Payment by "John McCormick" to Corcoran

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 18.—Victor Albert Seurles, Boston artist, paid William J. Corcoran \$50,000 and said that he had "fixed it up" after a raid on the Seurles apartment. Mrs. Abraham Levy, formerly Eleanor Barnes, testified yesterday in the trial of Corcoran, former district attorney of Middlesex county, and five co-defendants on charges of conspiring to extort \$50,000 from Seurles. A conversation overheard by Mrs. Levy in a Boston law office, stating that "John McCormick" was made to pay \$100,000 to avoid publicity, was read into the record in the form of an affidavit introduced by the defense. There was nothing in the affidavit to indicate the residence of the "Mr. McCormick" mentioned, or to show his business or profession.

Thongs and tough cords, instead of the familiar hammer and pegs, are used by cobblers of the South Sea Islands.

LISTEN! Fairburn Says Why pay more

LARGE BROWN EGGS 47¢ Doz.	LEAN FRESH SHOULDERS 15¢ Lb.	FRESH CREAMERY BUTTER 43¢ Lb.	MAINE POTATOES 15-Lb. Peck 20¢
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Small Lean Pork lb. 18c

WHY PAY MORE?	Fores NATIVE VEAL lb. 8c	Boned and Rolled Fores of Lamb, lb. 22c	WHY PAY MORE?
	Smoked Shoulders, lb. 15c	SIRLOIN ROASTS lb. 35c	
Good Quality	Chuck Roasts, lb. 15c	Fresh Killed FOWL, 4 lb. ave. 37c	
Lean Boneless	POT ROASTS lb. 18c	Fresh Killed TURKEYS, lb. ... 45c	

Legs of Genuine SPRING LAMB lb. 32c

Excellent Pot Roast	Bottom ROUND lb. 25c	Fresh Killed CHICKENS lb. ... 39c	WHY PAY MORE?
Boned and Rolled	RIB ROASTS lb. 29c	Fresh Native Calves' LIVER lb. 45c	
Freshly Cut	PORK CHOPS lb. 25c	Finest Rib LAMB CHOPS lb. 35c	
No Bone No Waste	Round ROAST lb. 22c	Small Plump FRESH FOWL lb. 29c	

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CORNEB BEEF
18c Lb.

CABBAGE FREE
With Corned Beef

SWEET JUICY
ORANGES
16 for 25c
— Or —
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Washed Carrots ... 3 Lbs. 10c
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Sweet Peppers, lb. ... 23c
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Mushrooms, lb. ... 59c
Egg Plant, lb. ... 15c
Maine Potatoes, pk. ... 20c
Hot House Lettuce ... 5c
Hot House Tomatoes, lb. ... 45c
Hubbard Squash, lb. ... 4c
Globe Onions ... 3 Lbs. 13c
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Cabbage, lb. ... 2c
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CHOCOLATES
35c Lb., 3 Lbs. for \$1
OLIVE OIL
PEANUTS
29c Lb.

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CANDY
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COOKED FOOD
Roasted Chicken, lb. ... 89c
Roasted Ham, lb. ... 75c
Chicken Roll, lb. ... 65c
Lunch Tongue, lb. ... 53c
Country Style Sausage, lb. 29c
Liverwurst, lb. ... 30c
Pigs' Hocks, lb. ... 25c
Scotch Ham, lb. ... 49c
Italienne Macaroni, lb. ... 15c
Potato Salad, lb. ... 18c
Roasted Rump of Beef, lb. 75c
Fresh Pork Sausage, lb. ... 22c

BAKERY DEPT.
The Finest Materials Used
Bread ... 3 for 29c
Brown Bread ... 8c
Rye Bread, loaf ... 9c
Apple Pies, each ... 20c
Coffee Rolls, doz. ... 20c
Pound Cake, lb. ... 29c
Whipped Cream Puffs, each... 5c
Whipped Cream Pies ... 45c

GROCERIES
Orange Marmalade, jar ... 19c
Honey in Comb ... 35c
Rolled Oats ... 4 lbs. 19c
Cocoa, in bulk ... 3 lbs. 19c
Laundry Soap ... 6 bars 25c
Ginger Snaps ... 2 lbs. 25c
Sugar Peas ... 2 cans 25c
Queen Olives, qt. ... 47c
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Jack Daw's Adventures. Chapter 8



Flip seemed to realize that his master was being outrun so he got in front of the two lanky men and started barking and jumping at them. They slackened their speed in their attempts to ward the dog off. Perhaps the speedy runners thought Flip was going to bite them.



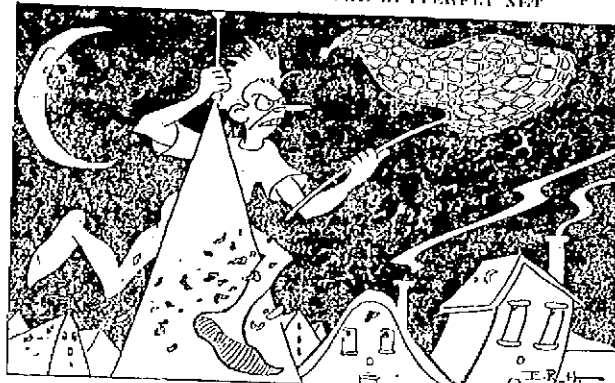
But, that was not Jack's faithful pet's idea. He wanted to give his master a chance to catch up with the runners. And this is just what Jack did. In fact, while the lanky men were battling with Flip, the little adventurer raced right by them and was once more leading the chase.



By this time the auto had raced out of sight. When Jack and his friends came to a double turn in the road, they all stopped. "I wonder which way he went," said Jack. "Must have been this way," replied a lanky man, "there are traces of auto wheels on the hillside." (Continued.)

ADVENTURES OF THE TWIN

by Olive Roberts Barton



FOR THERE WAS SNITCHER SNOT, THE GOBLIN, HANGING ONTO THE CHURCH STEEPLE WITH ONE HAND AND ONE FOOT.

Johnny Sweep and the Twins flew along on Johnny Sweep's broom, carrying Ted's note to the North Pole. "Let's read it," said Johnny Sweep.

Nancy was so shocked at his manner that she nearly fell off the broom. "Why Johnny Sweep!" she said. "That's not nice! Weren't you ever brought up?"

"Sure!" said Johnny. "But this is different. I was just supposing."

"Supposing what?" said Nick. "I was just supposing that what I'm something would happen. Then what? Santa Claus would never know what Ted wants for Christmas. But if we read the note, we'll have it in our hands and then—"

"That's different," said Nancy. "Let's stop right away and see what it says." So Johnny Sweep stopped his broom in a pine-tree and they all got off and sat in a row on a green branch and read Ted's letter.

"Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a live bull pup, and ten crowns, and a live bull pup, and a sweater with trees and people on it, and an ice-hockey stick and about two bushels of candy."

"Your friend, 'Ted'."

"That's not hard to remember," said Johnny Sweep. "Come on, we'll get all the notes we can and then we'll be off to the North Pole."

"But they jumped on his broom again and rode away."

Every chimney they passed had a crowd of Sooties coming out of the top and hurrying away toward the North.

"My goodness!" said Johnny Sweep. "Santa Claus is going to get so many notes this year I'm afraid he'll run out of toys and—Oh, my eye! Just look!"

Johnny said "my eye" which showed that although he said he had been brought up, he hadn't been—only partly. But then, I suppose a sweep has to say "my eye." It's about all there is of him to see being all black everywhere else. Besides what he saw sort of gave him a shock. And it was his eyes that got the shock.

For there was Snitcher Snot, the goblin, hanging onto the church steeple with one hand and one foot, and with the other hand he was catching Sooties in a butterfly net. He was so excited that his long snub nose kept wagging like a dog's tail.

"Ha, ha!" he cried. "I got a whole handful that time. This is more fun than a barrel of monkeys."

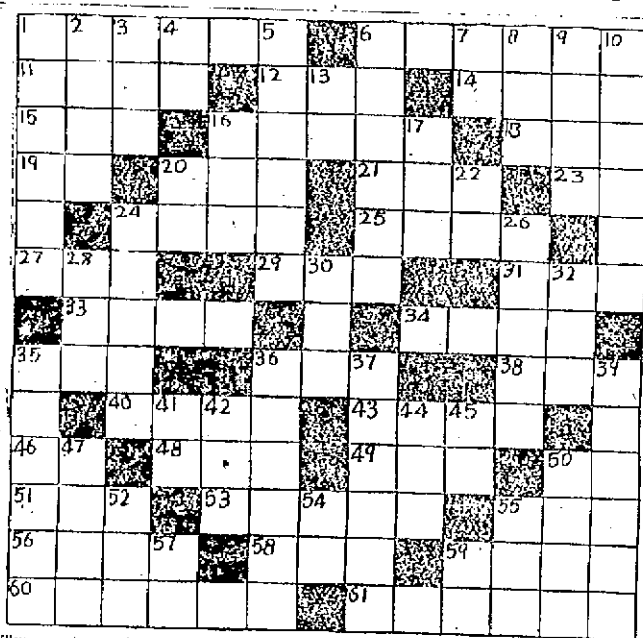
"Oh, dear! He'll steal all the notes," cried Nancy. "We'll have to catch him!"

But Snitcher Snot had seen them, and he skiddled down that church steeple like hot buttercups running down a muffle. And he hid in an old barrel, butterfly net, Sooties, Christmas notes and all.

Johnny Sweep guided his broom down, to the ground and he and the Twins started to hunt.



CROSSWORD PUZZLES



Two neighboring unkeyed letters in four-letter words are the stickers. But here's a tip—33 and 34 horizontal start with the same letter.

Answer to Yesterday's Crossword Puzzle:

STINKERS SIN
ONE ADVISE
NOTES ROSE
AT WIPENS
AT WIPENS
DONSE TANY
NAT ORACLE
BATE KIN KTYE
ANISE SURE
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MY THEE BAS

HORIZONTAL

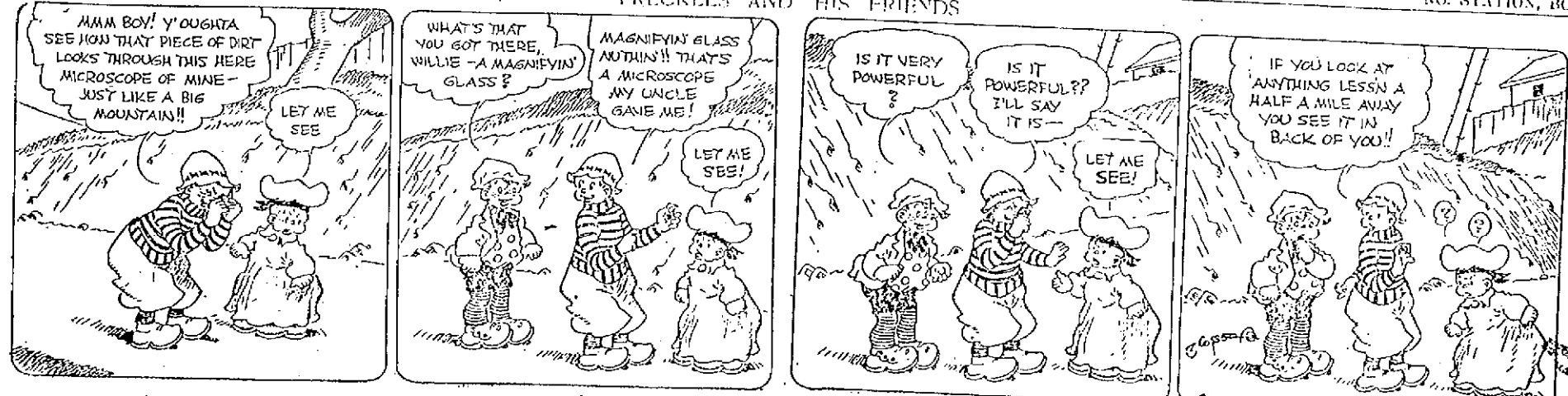
- Stoves.
- Flashes.
- Tremulous on foreign exchange.
- Knout.
- Opening of the skin.
- Obtain.
- Softened.
- Put away.
- Turned.
- Above.
- Negative conjunction.
- Joint.
- Dignified.
- Not out.
- Sailor.
- Nickname for a physician.
- Mother.
- Expression of inquiry.
- Mechanical device for stopping motion.
- Meleys.
- Doll.
- Poem.
- Conclusion.
- Makes attends.
- Regins.
- Expenses of land.
- Peas.
- Personal pronoun.
- Pure.
- Insect.
- Personal possessive pronoun.
- Tidy.
- Overcome.
- Do wrong.
- Type measure.

VERTICAL

- Storming.
- Generations.
- Insect's egg.
- Depart.
- Put away.
- Turned.
- Above.
- Negative conjunction.
- Joint.
- Dignified.
- Not out.
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PROBE LYNCHING OF YOUNG NEGRO

Youth Hanged, Shot and His
Body Dragged Through
Streets and Burned by Mob

Outburst at Charleston, Miss.,
Prompted by Alleged At-
tack on White Girl

CHARLESTON, Miss., Dec. 18.—Investigation was under way here today as a result of a message from Governor Arthur Hays to Attorney General Jesse Harrell last night following the death of Roosevelt Griggs, 20, a negro, who was hanged, shot, and his body dragged through the streets and burned by a mob. The outburst was prompted by an alleged attack the negro attempted on a white girl.

More than 200 men overpowered Sheriff R. B. Johnson and his deputies, took Griggs and hanged him to a tree in the courtyard. Griggs had been arrested earlier in the evening following the identification by a 15-year-old girl as the man who stepped from the shadows of a dark street and grappled with her, but was frightened away by passing motorists.

As the negro lunged from the tree a shot was fired into his body. Then it was cut down, tied behind an automobile and dragged through the streets of the negro settlement. The occupants of the car stepped out and tied the body to a post.

Cutting it down again, half a dozen men dragged it to rope's length to a vacant lot nearby, where a fire was kindled in which the body was thrown. The action was said to be the result of racial feeling, intensified by a criminal attack last October upon the wife of a land owner. Forty negroes were arrested, but none identified.

Previous to the beginning of an investigation, Governor Hyde announced he would offer a reward of \$300 for the arrest and conviction of the mob leaders.

Forty-five machines have been made especially for computing soldiers' bonus accounts in the Veterans' bureau in Washington.



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BEAVER BROOK BRIDGE

Planning Board in Special
Meeting Votes to Employ
Zoning Expert

Proper Location for Span to
Be Defined by Mr. Conney
of Cambridge

The Lowell planning board at a special meeting last night voted to employ Arthur C. Conney, of Cambridge, zoning expert, to pass judgment upon the proper location of a bridge over Beaver brook and to consider the structure in connection with future Lowell planning.

R. E. Conner brought up the bridge matter for discussion and suggested that a survey of land in the vicinity of Beaver brook might be in order. Mr. Conney replied that he knew very little about the details of the question but felt that some sort of a commission, thoroughfare on the north side of the Merrimack river is necessary. Mr. Conney is to conduct a survey and submit a report two weeks hence.

The city zoning ordinance and plan drawn up by Mr. Conney were accepted by the board, to be submitted to the city council at an early date. After discussion it was voted to put forth into the ordinance by the insertion of a clause which will insure against the enforcement of its provisions. This clause will give any citizen who feels a grievance to force the inspector of public buildings to act to remedy it. If the official in question refuses to act, the aggrieved citizen may institute mandamus proceedings to force action.

Present at last night's meeting were Patrick O'Brien, chairman; Clarence M. Wood, Benjamin S. Ponzner, Michael A. Lee, Dr. C. A. Lavallee and Raymond M. Humphrey.

Announcement has been made by Cardinal O'Connell to the effect that the recently purchased old Lowell jail property in Thorndike street is to be converted into a diocesan educational institution, a preparatory school for boys, to be known as Keith academy. In the announcement, it is stated that the "castle" will soon be a flourishing preparatory school, and will be dedicated as a memorial to the Keith family. It will mark the second memorial under this name in the diocese, as His Eminence has already made arrangements for magnificent chapel at St. Elizabeth's hospital, Brighton.

The jail property was purchased by the cardinal at a public auction conducted by Walter E. Guyette on September 24. The cardinal was represented at the sale by Dr. James B. O'Connor of this city, whose bid of \$23,000 for the jail buildings and 110,000 square feet of land was accepted.

The jail was erected in 1845 per order of the Middlesex county commissioners, and was used as a detention house until the prohibition law was enacted.

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